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to aggression and threats between dog owners.

In 2012/13 there were 68 complaints made, which rose to 87 in 2014/15.

*Pulman's View* requested a geographical breakdown of the alleged incidents for 2014/15, but a council spokesperson said one could not be provided.

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"Incidents often arise because people do not have dogs under proper control or are not always appreciative that some dogs require space. Not all dogs behave the same or have the same temperament.

"If anyone asks you not to approach their dog, or asks for your own dog to be controlled, then please pay attention to the request. Usually they are not being rude but simply trying to avoid an incident occurring."

SSDC's countryside rangers have recently noticed "a marked increase in the number of complaints about the occasional behaviour of some dog owners when in confrontation with others about the behaviour of their pets".

The spokesperson said: "Our countryside sites are as popular as ever with all sorts of people getting out and about in the fresh air, occasionally this

makes for a busier than usual environment, and so it may cause a less sociable dog to come into contact with a wider range of other pets than usual.

"We are saddened that recently this has led to miss-understandings between some owners, and harsh words and even threats, have on occasion been exchanged.

"This only happens in the heat of the moment, but it can really spoil someone's day, and we certainly don't want people associating their usually positive dog walk with an unpleasant experience."

Councillor Sylvia Seal, SSDC's portfolio holder for leisure and culture, added: "Seeing an increase in complaints being made about unacceptable dog behaviour is worrying,

"However, by advising and educating the public, we aim to see a decrease in the next year.

"Our parks and open spaces are wonderful places and we know a lot of dog walkers use these areas, so we ask that other people are respectful of dogs and that also dog owners take the appropriate action if you are concerned about the behaviour of your dog."

Some people may use a yellow ribbon or other similar marker on the collar or lead of their dog. This is part of a project called Yellow Dog UK which was created to bring awareness to dogs that need space.

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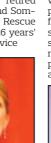
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ILMINSTER: Neil 'Teddy' Edwards has retired from Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Service after 26 years' firefighting service



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WEST HILL: Betty Hill, who last Christmas paid for 50 strangers' festive lunches, inspired others to do the same and this Christmas spearheaded a repeat event at the Lamb and Flag



CHARD: Gemma Jones, of Oak Lodge Care Home, won Activities Co-ordinator 2015 at National Care Awards ceremony in London

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### Quotes of the week...

I wonder just what it takes to get the government to listen to local communities' requests for financial assistance when it comes to flooding."

Cllr Glyn Dobson, mayor of Ottery St Mary, after the primary school at Tipton St John was flooded again, less than a year after a funding application to relocate it was rejected

We were thinking of the most ridiculous things we could sell online.'' Justin Holt of Musbury, who with his twin

Robbie launched brickorpotato.com, which gained national exposure after the novel business had barnstorming pre-Christmas sales

It is amazing how kind people can be, even at times when they are experiencing their own difficulties."

Claire Hart, corporate fundraiser for St Margaret's Hospice, which received the proceeds of the sale of office furniture and fixtures to departing staff on the closure of Chard's Dairy Crest factory late last year

## **IN YOUR PULMAN'S VIEW THIS WEEK**

### **SPORT Football**



SLIP SLIDING AWAY: Sidmouth Town defender Keiren White struggles in the treacherous conditions at Tiger Way on Saturday. Just 32 minutes were possible before the referee decided enough was enough.



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#### SEATON

### **Councillors reject** 'living wage' town

AN ATTEMPT to try to make Seaton a 'Living Wage Town' has failed. The majority of town councillors voted against a proposal that the town council should actively support a move towards Seaton becoming "the first Living Wage Town in East Devon".

Minutes from the meeting only say: "Resolved that the motion fails," and does not give a result from the vote nor the reason for the motion's failure. Councillor Shaw, however, says the motion was defeated 6-2.

It is understood that those voting against felt that many local businesses could not afford to pay the Living Wage rate (currently £8.25 per hour).

Councillor Shaw told Pulman's View said that employers who paid the Living Wage generally reported better satisfaction with retention of employees. He also said he was disappointed with the vote, and added: "It is essential to raise wages in Seaton and elsewhere in East Devon, which has recently been reported as one of the least affordable areas in the country to live."



## From the editor's chair Let's hope Lions roar again

I WAS saddened to hear that the Lions Club of Axminster and District could fold if more members do not come forward.

Back in 1969, when I was editor of the old Axminster News, I was a founder member of the Lions Club, Well, I was - and I wasn't.

Those anxious to see the Lions active in Axminster needed a minimum number to enable a club to be formed and I was virtually dragged off the street to make up the numbers, I think by founder member Dave Swarbrick.

I was able to recall this story when I was kindly invited to propose the toast to the club on its 40th anniversary

I couldn't hazard a guess of how much money the Lions have raised for local good causes in the 47 years since they held their first meeting. It would run into many thousands of pounds.

**Inspector approves** 

houses off Coly Road

A PLANNING appeal to build five houses on land

off Coly Road, Colyton, has been approved after

an inspector dismissed East Devon's housing

The application for five houses, the formation of

site access and estate roads, footway and parking

provision on land south of Yaffles on Coly Road

was last year refused by East Devon District

Colyton Parish Council recommended refusal of

Parish councillors were also particularly con-

Now the organisation, which has branches all

over the world, has only seven members. Coincidentally, the current President is Jackie Swarbrick, daughter of founding member Dave who has followed in her father's footsteps in giving so much to the organisation over the years. There have been others who have given sterling service to the Lions, including Emrys Pearce, John Jeffery and Jamie Love, among many others

Jackie has appealed for more people to offer their services to the Lions and help them continue their fine work for charity which has benefited so many local organisations.

As reported below, it is not possible to continue with such a low membership and one casualty was the Lions Christmas Float tour which in 2014

Hopefully, a few willing bodies will come forward to ensure that Axminster Lions roar again. **PHILIP EVANS** 

### **AXMINSTER**

#### Lions club on the brink of folding

has plummeted to only seven, and president Jackie Swarbrick says that number is unsustainable.

estimated total pot of £3,000 because the club could not get the manpower for its Christmas float tour last December.

cember 2015 schedule.

Jackie added: "Axminster & District Lions Club has given money to numerous local charities over the years.

"I just hope others will be willing to join us and work alongside us to continue the work we have been doing since 1969."

new members are found urgently. Membership of Axminster & District Lions Club

To prove the point, vice-president Paul Jennings said that local worthy causes missed out on an

In 2014, the club raised £3,000 through the 21day tour programme, but had to cancel the De-

#### SOUTH SOMERSET

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#### SIDMOUTH

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policies as "out of date"

#### Town council to create neighbourhood plan



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will create a neighbourhood plan and are looking for local volunteers to join the steering group.

Sidmouth Town Council believe that it will enable Sid Vale residents to have their say on the future of the area and in a statement released by the council, a spokesman said: "The aim is to work as a whole community to develop a plan which reflects the aspirations of us all for the future of Sidmouth.

To allow residents to find out more, Sidmouth Town Council has organised a public event for Tuesday, January 19th at St Teresa's Church Hall.

#### OTTERY ST MARY Council says 'no' to

**West Hill breakaway** OTTERY St Mary Town Council has voted against

West Hill's bid to breakaway and form its own parish council. At an emergency meeting, held at Ottery Town

Council offices on Thursday (January 7th), the council debated for nearly two hours before voting on whether or not they should support the bid. Ottery St Mary Town Council does not have the

final say on the issue but their recommendation will be noted by East Devon District Council, however, ultimately, their opinion might be ignored by EDDC, when it comes to CEO Mark Williams making his decision.

It is still not known when West Hill will discover their fate but it is thought Mark Williams will make his decision in early spring.



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## **Hopes to reinstate Post Office in** Crewkerne after sudden closure

CREWKERNE Post Office has closed two weeks earlier than planned.

The landlord of the East Street premises had given Post Office notice to vacate premises no later than 5.30pm on January 21st.

Post Office had announced there would be a temporary closure as a result, but stressed that a search for alternative premises was under way.

The current branch was expected to keep trading for some time yet before leaving the East Street premises.

But in a statement issued last Thursday morning, a Post Office spokesperson said: "I have just been informed that the postmaster has decided to close Crewkerne Post Office with immediate effect from today. The branch was open yesterday."

In a previous statement, the spokesperson said: "We apologise for the inconvenience caused by the temporary closure of Crewkerne Post Office, which was be-

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"Due to the short notice that we received a temporary loss of service in Crewkerne was inevitable. However, we are committed to providing a Post Office service in Crewkerne.

"We are working hard to keep any period of closure to a minimum and we are currently investigating the options available which will enable us to reinstate a Post Office service to the local community.

"The vacancy is currently being advertised on our website http://corporate.postoffice.co.uk/business-opportunities.'

In the meantime, customers are asked to use alternative branches, including Kithill Post Office at 66-68 Park View, Crewkerne.

## Pioneering project helps youngsters with learning disabilities into employment

NINE young people with learning disabilities are on the path to paid employment as part of a pioneering initiative run by Somerset County Council, Musgrove Park Hospital and Somerset College.

The initiative is known as Project SEARCH, a one-year programme which aims to give young people with Learning Disabilities the skills to obtain competitive paid employment. The nine interns started work at Musgrove in September and have now completed all their essential training and are out in placements developing their skills and work experience in

various departments at the hospital.

Throughout the year, the interns are working with different teams in the hospital, supported by mentors who have volunteered to offer extra support and training. The first placements for the interns have been in: Sterile Services, Beacon Day Unit, Head and Neck Theatres, Catering Portering Team, Mop Laundry, The Academy, Library, Grounds and Notes Portering and IT Service Desk.

Cllr William Wallace, Somerset County Council's spokesman for adults with learning disabilities, said: "Project SEARCH gives people with Learning Disabilities the skills, experience, knowledge and confidence to move into the world of employment. "A learning disability should not be a barrier to employment. We've seen these interns make real progress in their first couple of months and we're confident they'll continue to develop throughout their internship and beyond to reach their full po-

Hayley Peters, director of patient care at Musgrove Park Hospital, said: "We are very pleased to be able to support this programme. All the staff involved have been inspired by the determination and commitment of the interns to succeed."

Somerset College vice-principal Jo Burford said: "I was delighted to visit the students and mentors in their working environments at Musgrove Park Hospital and witness the level of confidence and



Alex Trevisick, Amy Gage, Karl Brice; (middle row) Hannah Phillips, Dawn Peters, Dan Samuels, Becca Gardner, Caroline Faithfull; and (back row) Harry Tavare, Jamie Saunders, Ryan Manaton

motivation each individual student has gained.

'The level of improvement is remarkable and evidenced in the students' sense of achievement and pride. It is quite apparent how the level of exposure to a regular working environment has been har-nessed by these students and with the exceptional support from their tutors, mentors, the Hospital and the College, the students are thriving and achiev-

"Project SEARCH has provided these individuals with meaningful work opportunities which has enhanced their self-esteem and employability skills to a significantly high standard. The students and all participants involved in the Project should be immensely proud of their achievements!"

Musgrove Park Hospital is the second employer in Somerset (after Yeovil District Hospital) to work with Project SEARCH interns, supported by Somerset College (the training provider) and Somerset County Council (who provide job coaches via As-

The Project SEARCH programme was first developed in the USA and now helps people with learning disabilities from all over the world to gain paid employment (at minimum wage or above). In 2015 there were 400+ Project SEARCH sites globally, and 39 in the UK, which achieved employment for 60 to 100 per cent of the interns who took part in the pro-

## Council issues advice on aggressive dogs

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mally indicating that their dog cannot be close to other dogs.

The spokesperson added: "There are many reasons why a dog may need space. It may have health issues, be a rescue dog being rehabilitated, have had a bad experience with another dog or be a bitch may be in heat, amongst other things.

"If you see a yellow marker on a dog we would therefore recommend you give it some space from yourself and your own dog."

· A DOG is considered dangerously out of control if it: injures someone or makes someone worried that it might injure them. The Dangerous Dogs Act 1991 made it an offence to own or be in charge of any dog that is dangerously out of control.

This is regarded as meaning that there are grounds for 'reasonable apprehension' that the dog will injure a person (whether or not it actually does so). Offences under this legislation can be dealt with by the police or local authority dog wardens.

## Police office praised for efforts to engage children

lice and Crime Commis-(PCC) sioner Mountstevens and her team have been awarded a Gold Commendation by Anne Longfield OBE, the Children's Commissioner for England.

The certificate is in recognition of the team's efforts to engage children and young people in the work of the Avon and Somerset Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner as part of Children's Commissioner's Takeover 2015-16.

Speaking about Children's Commissioner Takeover Day, which

took place on November 20th, PCC Sue Mountstevens said: "My team and I were delighted to welcome seven young people from Clevedon and Gordano schools to find out more about my role as PCC and the work of my team.

"Throughout the day, they got involved in activities which included meeting with Amy, my Youth Champion, taking part in a practical session with Young Victims' Service and finding out more about Restorative Justice with Helen, our RJ development manager.

"It is important to me that I make sure I am speaking and listening to young people from across Avon and Somerset about the issues which matter to them in relation to policing and crime."

The application for the Up for the Challenge Commendation Scheme highlighted the work of the office of the PCC as part of this year's Takeover Day, but also included other events and wider work in relation to youth engagement.

There are bronze, silver and gold levels of commendation which reflect the involvement with children and young people through the Takeover challenge so being awarded gold, the highest level of commenda-



■ GOLD AWARD: Police and Crime Commissioner Sue Mountstevens and youth champion Amy Hurst with their certificate

tion, is a great achievement.

Amy Hurst, youth champion for the office of the PCC said: "It's fantastic to be recognised by the Up for the Challenge scheme. We've hosted Takeover events for the past three years now within the OPCC and each time, as a team, we're always left feeling inspired by the young people we've had the pleasure of working with.

"The important thing for me however, is the fact that this commendation acknowledges our wider work with young people as we try to ensure their voices are heard. The principles behind the Takeover events are something which we're always looking to build upon to help shape our ways of working with children and young people.'

To find out more about the Up for the Challenge commendation scheme visit www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/takeover-challenge-commendation

The Avon and Somerset Office of the PCC has participated in the Children's Commissioner Takeover Day for the past three years and to see what the young people have been involved in visit www.avonandsomerset-pcc.gov.uk

#### Funeral held after death of community stalwart

A FUNERAL has been held for a Crewkerne community stalwart who died from cancer.

Jo Hampshire died in hospital on December 19th at the age of 57.

Mrs Hampshire (pictured right) was best known as the long-serving manager of Crewkerne's Red Cross branch, but she was also involved with Speedwell Club and was a staunch supporter of Ferne Animal Sanctuary.

Originally from Cornwall, Jo met her husband Stephen, a Londoner, when he was working in Cornwall about 35 years ago. The couple moved to Crewkerne just over 20 years ago.

Mr Hampshire paid tribute to his wife by saying: "The charity work was very important to her. Apart from the Red Cross she was also involved with Speedwell Club where she was the caretaker until

That role has now been taken over by Mr Hampshire, who added: "She was a great supporter of Ferne Animal Sanctuary, which is where the collection from the funeral went."

Her community involvement started early, and



Mr Hampshire explained: "She was a Special Constable in Cornwall for 13 years, and also a cub leader.'

The couple has three children, daughters Demelza and Tegen, and son Bryn.

### Inquest held into death of Tatworth couple

AN inquest has heard that an estranged husband bludgeoned his wife to death before killing himself. The tragic drama took place in Tatworth, near Chard, last July when Kevin Baker, 35, killed his wife Tracey, 41, after becoming convinced she had started a new relationship, the inquest heard. Both were found dead in a bedroom. Their three

young children were away at the time.

Somerset coroner Tony Williams said that Mrs Baker died from multiple blunt-force injuries and Mr Baker died from self-strangulation by ligature.

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■ TRIUMPHANT: Gemma with celebrity guest, comedian Hugh Dennis, and an awards official

#### Award for care home worker

GEMMA Jones of Oak Lodge Care Home in Chard won the Activities Co-ordinator 2015 category of National Care Awards.

She attended a glitzy ceremoiny in London to pick up her award, and said: "I have been working as an activities co-ordinator for just over three years. I didn't expect to win. I was happy enough having been nominated.

"When I found out that I had been shortlisted and was in the final five I was shocked.

"I attended an interview with the three judges at the end of October, which went well. There I met the other finalists in my category and I can honestly say that they were all lovely and experienced.

"We all attended the awards at the London Hilton Metropole on the November 27th where I found out that I had won.

"I'd like to say that I couldn't have done it without the whole team at Oak Lodge. It's definitely a team effort and you can't do it on your own."

# Eco-friendly schoolchildren make their own bird feeders



■ ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIEDNLY: Children with their bird feeders

REDSTART Primary School in Chard is continuing its aim of being environmentally friendly, with children this time making bird feeders out of plastic milk bottles and cartons.

The pupils were given just two weeks to get their entries in for Redstart's Forest School teacher Mr Terret to judge. Entries were judged on design, originality and usability.

A large number of entries were whittled down to three individuals and a group prize for three children all from the same family.

The winners were awarded ecoprizes and the best two also received gift vouchers. Prizes were donated by the town's environmental Sustainable Chard group. Tim Eggins, of Sustainable Chard,

said: "Redstart School has big plans for 2016 with solar panels being sought for the school roof, recycling bins for the playground, an eco trail to take visitors through the Forest School area and the aim of achieving the Silver Eco award before the end of the summer term."



## Bingo club raises £567 for hospice

A LOCAL charity is to benefit from money raised by a Chard-based bingo club, which has been fundraising over the past year

The Monday Bingo Club, which takes place at Yarlington Housing Groups' Retirement Living Scheme at Bishops Court, has raised £567.50 for St Margaret's Hospice from the 50 pence entrance fee and sale of weekly raffle tickets.

The club, run by local resident Chris Sweet, is now in its fifth year and has become so popular that it attracts at least 50 players a week, many of whom travel from lminster and Crewkerne.

Chris said: "We have so much fun at our bingo sessions; one of our members is 99 years old and travels here each week to enjoy the great atmosphere but also to show her commitment to the hospice.

"Î'm so pleased we are able to continue supporting such a deserving cause, the hospice provides excellent facilities and many people don't realise

that it can be a place to go to for symptom management, long before palliative care is required."

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Anne Willitt, community fundraiser for St Margaret's, added: "The hospice, now in its 35th year, costs £10million per year to run and receives minimal funding from the government. We would be unable to offer first-rate care to those facing life-limiting illnesses without donations from community groups such as the Monday Bingo Club.

"We are immensely grateful to Chris and her members for continuing to support our patients and their families."

Nathan Turnbull, Bishops Court scheme manager, concluded: "Everyone looks forward to the Monday Bingo Club, not just to play bingo but to catch up with friends and have a good natter, reducing social isolation amongst the retired community is vital to health and wellbeing. Chris' enthusiasm for the club and her fun-loving nature results in many smiling faces in our communal lounge on a Monday afternoon."







## Factory sells off equipment for charity

FUNDRAISERS at Somerset-based St Margaret's Hospice are continually overwhelmed by the generosity of people – even in times of adversity which has been proven by employees at the nowclosed Dairy Crest factory on the outskirts of

The creamery at Chard Junction closed its doors on November 1st last year after 137 years in operation. It had been established on the site in 1878 and in 1920 a butter facility was created. But the company took the decision that it was no longer viable and closed – leaving the majority of the 60-strong workforce gaining work elsewhere locally.

Despite the obvious upset at pending closure, however, the staff decided to make a gesture for charity. Much of the office equipment and fixtures and fittings were offered for sale to the staff and it was agreed that funds raised - a total of £650 would be donated to support the hospice

The decision came after many of the staff had ex-

perienced the care and support of St Margaret's Hospice through friends and family.

St Margaret's corporate fundraiser, Claire Hart, said: "It is amazing how kind people can be, even at times when they are experiencing their own diffi-

"We really appreciate the efforts that the staff at Dairy Crest Chard have gone to in order to raise such a generous amount. The hospice needs to raise £10million a year in order to provide care and support for patients and their families facing a lifelimiting illness

"Any donation received, no matter the size, is always appreciated. Without the support of our local community, we couldn't provide care to over 3,200 people each year.

"We are so very grateful to the Dairy Crest staff, past and present, for their wonderful support and we want to wish them well in their future careers."

■ THE Chard branch Sainsbury's opened a food collecpoint. spokesperson said: "All donated food will go to the Lord's Larder, which will distribute it local residents struggling to feed their families during times of personal crisis. Pictured are John and Dot White from the Lord's Larder, along with store manager Tracie Knight and members of staff.



## Winter theme for this year's pantomime

PANTOMIME in Combe St Nicholas, near Chard, has a frosty theme this year as Cloverleaf Productions present "The Snow Queen" by Alan Frayn at the village hall between February 9th and 13th.

Adapted from Hans Christian Andersen's well known fairytale of the same name, this is a relatively new pantomime and is being staged for the first time in this area.

The story is based on the struggle between good and evil as experienced by two children, Gerda and her friend Kai, played by Sienna Lanfear and Nell Wallbridge, who live with their Granny (Dave Goodall) and cousin Helmut (Bob Dunn)

When Kai is captured by the Snow Queen, played by Sally Nex, and taken to her palace in the Arctic Circle, Gerda sets out to find and free him. On her way she meets a lot of interesting folk including Caw the Raven (David Stares) the fairy Snowdrop (Helen Rose), Blossom the Spring Flower Lady (Maggy Goodall), Princess Sunbeam (Michelle Wallbridge), Debbie Smith as the robber girl and many more. Gerda's journey is long and tortuous but finally she is led by Rufus the reindeer (Martin Wale) to her destination. Will she succeed in res-



The Snow Queen will be staged from nightly at 7.30pm except Saturday 13th, when two performances will be held at 2.30pm and 6.30pm. Tickets cost £6 for adults and £4 for children and can be booked by calling 01460 01460 65190 or email nanette.wale27@gmail.com, or from Combe Village Hall between 10am and 12noon on Tuesday to Saturday



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# Special presentation for retiring Ilminster fireman

A CEREMONIAL axe was presented to Neil Edwards, who has left the Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Service following 26 years of firefighting service to Ilminster and the surrounding area.

Members of Ilminster Fire Station and their families came together for a leaving party for Neil, better known to most as Teddy, at the Shrubbery Hotel in Ilminster.

Andy Miller, of Ilminster Fire Station, paid tribute to Neil's "dedication and service" and also thanked the families of all the firefighters' present and their employers for allowing and supporting them to carry out their vital duties.

"Good luck to Neil for the future and we'll all miss him at Ilminster Fire Station," he added.

Neil was presented with the traditional ceremonial axe and certificate with a plaque to mark his career with initially the Somerset Fire Brigade and more recently the Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Service.

■ RETIRING: Pictured above, Neil "Teddy" Edwards (fourth from left) with members of Ilminster Fire Station, and right with his ceremonial axe





## Thousands support shoesbox appeal

THOUSANDS of shoeboxes crammed with gifts left Ilminster before Christmas destined for poor and orphaned children in Romania.

The annual Operation Christmas Child shoebox appeal in the Chard and Ilminster area was another huge success and up to 8,000 boxes were packed onto a lorry at the project's locally-based HQ at Dowlish Ford, courtesy of Ashcombe Estates.

An appeal spokesman said: "We would like to thank everyone in Ilminster, Chard and the surrounding area who have supported the shoebox appeal once again.

"It's always a satisfying moment when you see the lorry arrive and loaded up with all the boxes.

"We only found out when the lorry arrived where our donations will be going and we are sure that our gifts will provided some muchneeded joy for children in Romania."

The loading operation was carried out speedily – thanks to a group of Royal Navy personnel who had travelled over from RNAS Yeovilton to help.

help.
"Huge thanks to the lads from RNAS Yeovilton once again for their support. Their help was

very much appreciated as always."

The lorry left liminster for Bristol where it was due to take on board another large number of shoeboxes. It would then head back across Europe to Romania and the shoeboxes will be distributed to children.

The boxes were packed with small toys, school supplies, hygiene items and other things such as hats, scarves and gloves.

The Operation Christmas Child shoebox appeal is co-ordinated by the Christian-based Samaritan's Purse organisation. Organisers of the local shoebox appeal have said that next year they will be working with another Christian organisation, Blythswood Care, who will provide more festive cheer for children around the world.

## Study day on 'Making Judgements in Art'

THE Ilminster-based Neroche Decorative and Fine Art Society's (DFAS) series of study days will continue with guest speaker David Phillips on Tuesday, January 26th to lead a study day called "Who Says? Making Judgments in Art", at Monk's Yard.

David will examine what makes a piece of art good, bad or indifferent, and what makes it valuable or worthless. And when is it in good taste, or is it really just kitsch?

This study day examines different aspects of a highly subjective and emotive subject. Firstly, there is the art and science of attribution; is this really a Rembrandt, or was it just painted by one if his pupils, or is it a deliberate attempt to deceive, painted in someone's garage a couple of years ago? Most of us agree that a Rembrandt is likely to be in good taste, but what about Tracey Emin's bed or a pile of bricks?

The cost of the study day is £35 for society members or £40 for non-members, to include lunch and tea and coffee.

The Neroche DFAS is one of the oldest branches of the National Association of DFAS in the South West, being founded in 1973. The society holds a series of visits, talks and study days by leading experts in their field throughout the year. It also supports the development of fine art skills in young people in the area.

For full details see the study days page at www.nerochedfas.org.uk or call 01460 259113.



## Rotarian and wife rewarded for international work

FORMER presidents of the Rotary Club of Ilminster, John Wood, and his wife Bev, have been presented with the Paul Harris Fellowship Award.

The award is given to Rotarians or non-Rotarians in recognition of "outstanding commitment to the club or the community" and is the highest honour Rotary

As reported last year, John and Bev played a leading role when the club was granted the equivalent of more than £24,000 to provide literacy training for women

That effort played a part in them winning the Paul Harris Fellowship Award, but they have a long history of helping the underprivileged in India.

District Governor Bob Acland formally presented the fellowship award at a recent ceremony and explained that previous recipients included Mother Teresa and President Yeltsin of Russia.

Current president of the Rotary Club of Ilminster, Linda Piggott-Vijeh, said: "I am thrilled to have been able to organise this event with so many of our members and guests present.

"It is certainly a wonderful achievement and is testament to their unselfish approach towards helping and supporting those in need, showing real commitment to the Rotary ethos of Service Above Self.'

In late 2001, whilst president of the Rotary Club of the Somerset Levels, John was contacted by Rotarian Deepak Agrawal of the Rotary Club of Rajkot Midtown India D3060, inviting the club to join in his dream of providing an international dolls museum, for the use of the underprivileged children of Rajkot, in the region of Gujarat, North West India.

The poorest of these children are known as the ragpickers, as they go out early each day foraging for waste bottles, metal, plastics and rags just like in the film Slumdog Millionaire. Their collections are then taken by their mothers to the scrap merchants and exchanged for money.

The Rotary Club of Rajkot Midtown's request was for an ethnic doll from the Somerset region, as John had been included in Rotarian Deepak's 23,000 initial emails to Rotary branches across the world.

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John's wife Beverly had coincidentally collected dolls from all over the world since she was a little girl, so it seemed a lovely idea for the Rotary Club of the Somerset Levels to get involved by sending a doll to

Following his club's support for this idea, John and Beverly soon discovered that all the dolls available in the local shops were of a general western style and were made in various parts of the world, including

Research found a lady called Julia Raynor, located in Bradford-on-Avon, who agreed to design and make a porcelain doll and dress her as a Somerset Shepherdess girl. This doll stood 30" tall, so posed a transportation problem.

During a Rotary meeting someone jokingly asked John: "Why don't you take it over yourself?"

Some years earlier John had promised his wife that one day he would take her to see the Taj Mahal and, after some thought and a lot of planning, they both finally set off for India in January 2003 with the doll wrapped up, looking very much like an Egyptian mummified child.

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She was x-rayed at customs several times during the journey and they finally got her safely to Rajkot.

Rotarian Deepak and his wife Minaxi hosted John and Bev, taking them around Rajkot to see several Rotary projects and the "ragpicker" children. .

John and Beverly attended the Rajkot Rotary Club meeting and the members were delighted with their new gift, expressing their gratitude for the thought and effort of being the first international Rotary Club to personally deliver their doll.

In 2009 John left the Rotary Club of the Somerset Levels and joined the Rotary Club of Ilminster, firstly as international chairman then moving up to be president of the club last year.

During his term in office he steered the club into an-

other project in the region of Gujurat, North West India, the aim this time being to partner with the Rotary Club of Ankleshwar in Bharuch District of Gujarat for a matching grant to give up to 100 young women the chance of achieving their secondary education certificate.

The Rotary Club of Ilminster was granted the equivalent of more than £24,000 to provide literacy training for women in India. A joint global grant application, with the Rotary Club of Ankleshwar, India, was approved by Rotary Foundation (India) and the trustees of The Rotary Foundation. The project involves a Second Chance Centre, which will cater for people in an area spread across approximately 75 villages in



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# Senior citizens tuck into annual Christmas lunch





MEMBERS of the Rotary Club of Ilminster were joined by volunteers from other community groups in the town, including Nyanza Lodge, and the Lions Club, along with Marshall Herbert, Malcolm Heppell and Nancy Atkins to host the annual senior citizens' Christmas lunch at The Shrubbery Hotel.

After a welcome sherry on arrival, the 100 guests feasted on vegetable soup, traditional roast turkey and Christmas pudding with clotted cream to finish, while being entertained by the popular Serenade choir led by David Sut-

Hailed a success by everyone, the raffle, with prizes donated by Tesco and other local businesses, raised an impressive £200, which will go towards funding next year's event.

In the absence of Edward Wells, who usually presides over the event, Rotary Club president Linda Piggott-Vijeh thanked all of the businesses in the town which had allowed collection boxes to encourage donations towards the lunch, and also Angela Clapp of Broomhead & Saul, who along with Anne Climow and her husband Nigel, do so much of the behind the scenes work to ensure that the event is a suc-

Said Linda: "This is one of the most valuable things that the town does each year and is it especially important that so many local organisations and businesses come together to sup-

"The event has been running for many years and I have to say that the lunch provided this year by Henry and is team in the Shrubbery kitchen was one of the best ever. I cannot wait until I am old enough to qualify to attend!"



#### Rotarians learn about hearing dogs

ILMINSTER Rotarians and their guests were recently treated to a fascinating insight into how "hearing dogs" help deaf people cope safely with both work and everyday tasks.

Most people are aware of guide dogs for the blind but not the important work carried out by hearing dogs for Deaf People Trust.

Local representative Hollingsworth outlined the importance of the work carried out by the trust. He and his family have been involved in fundraising for the charity for some years, since his mother became deaf and subsequently suffered loneliness mainly through loss of contact with people.

Bryan noticed that whenever he visited her with his dogs they brightened her life immediately. Thus began a long connection with the charity, as Bryan's wife started to socialise puppies for hearing gogs and will soon take on her eleventh puppy

Local resident Robyn Back, who accompanied Bryan, is a qualified British Horse Society Instructor whose constant companion - golden retriever Wilson - is a trained hearing dog and was the quiet star of the evening. Wilson is a perfect illustration of how a gentle and friendly dog can help people develop more confidence around ani-

With more than 800,000 severely or profoundly deaf people in the UK, and with levels of deafness steadily on the rise, the demand for hearing dogs is greater than ever. It takes 18 months to train a puppy, which includes socialising the young animals, 18 weeks of advanced training teaching them how to alert their eventual owners to important sounds, and a careful matching-up process with their new life partners.

It costs £25,000 to create a partnership between a deaf person and a hearing dog, with ongoing support costing up to a further £15,000. At present there are 873 active hearing dogs in Britain with 380 deaf appli-

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## New local film a sell-out success

film–makers has become a ''blockbuster'' in the

Perhaps not on the scale of the latest Star Wars film, but every DVD of the group's film called ''The Power and The Glory'' has been sold in just a few weeks since its launch in November. More copies have been ordered and were expected to arrive over New Year.

The film, about churches in Somerset and Dorset, was made by Anorak Communications, which is part of Crewkerne University of the Third Age (U3Å).

It includes the story of a German prisoner of war who never forget the kindness of the people of East Chinnock, where he worked on a local farm. Between 1962 and 1988 he went back there many times to install new stained glass windows.

The film has become an instant hit and more enquiries have been received from local organisations, in addition to those already booked, asking for showings of the film.

The members of Anorak Communications, which made the film, are: Tom Jones, presenter; Brian Lawrence, camera; Colin Mayes, editing and directing; Stuart Nuttall, directing and editing; and Alan Keene, research and camera, who is also the group leader.

"The response to the film has been really good," said Alan.

"We are now looking at a number of ideas for our next film.'

In the meantime, the team is hoping to make contact with other film–makers in the University of the Third Age (U3A) organisation.

"Who else in Britain's U3A is making films and telling stories?" asks Alan.

"We'd like to get together, share information and ideas, and maybe organise competitions. Who knows where it could lead? But we'd love them to hear from them."

Anorak Communications started in 2007 and has since made 18 films



■ SUCCESS: Film-makers who have produced a sell-out movie, from left, Tom Jones, Brian Lawrence, Colin Mayes, Stuart Nuttall and Alan Keene

Alan said: "A film will sometimes take a year from conception to completion. Once we had three films on the go at the same time.

When available again, copies of the DVD, which

costs £6, can be obtained from Alan via his email at alankeene@tiscali.co.uk. Other organisations interested in seeing the film should also contact

### Police trying reunite stolen items with owners

POLICE are trying to reunite items of property, which they believe to be stolen, with their rightful owners. Officers in Somerset seized over 100 items last year following information provided from a member of public in relation to suspected stolen property being sold at a car boot sale.

Much of the property has been successfully returned to their owners, but a few items remain.

PC Mike Homewood said: "We have been able to return much of the property we seized but we are keen to return everything and speak to people who either didn't report a burglary or who may not have realised something has been taken.

"We have made an arrest in relation to several burglaries in the Sedgemoor area from which the prop-

erty is believed to have come from.

Items include a bike, camera, binoculars, bird ornaments, a stamp album, travellers cheques and foreign

Of you believe any of the items are yours, contact Homewood on 101 number and quote 5215005767. You will need to be able to prove ownership either by providing receipts, photographic evidence, descriptions of distinguishing marks or serial

PC Homewood added: "I would also encourage people to property mark any high-value or sentimental items so if the worst happens and they are stolen, we can return them more easily. Property marking items can also act as a deterrent to thieves.

#### Police appeal for witnesses after attack on cash point

POLICE are appealing for witnesses after an cash point attack in Crewkerne on New Year's

A man wearing dark clothing smashed a window to gain access to a cash machine at Waitrose before tying a wire rope around it.

A second person then attempted to pull the ATM out of the store using a vehicle.

The attack, which took place at 5.15pm, was unsuccessful and no cash was stolen.

Anyone who witnessed the incident, or who saw anything suspicious around the time, is asked to call 101 quoting crime reference number 5216000650.

#### U3A to launch well-being group

A WELL-BEING group may be launched by Crewkerne & District University of the Third Age (U3A) and led by Clive Pembury, a qualified Shiatsu practitioner and Meridian massage He says that the group would take at a holistic

approach to well-being and discuss health-related issues. How often it meets - weekly or monthly - and the location would depend on how many people join.

Several people have already signed up and anyone else interested in joining the well-being group should contact Clive on 07840 780047 The U3A, with nearly 330 members, currently runs more than 40 special interest groups

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■ AN eight-year-old boy had to be rescued by firefighters on Saturday, January 2nd after getting stuck inside a room in Chard.

The alarm was raised at just before 5pm and one fire engine from the town was sent out to deal with the incident at the Bath House Hotel in Holyrood Street.

Firefighters used a ladder to rescue the boy through the window.

■ FIREFIGHTERS from Chard were called out on Sunday, January 3rd to deal with a chimney fire at a home.

The alarm was raised at just before 7.30pm and one fire engine from Chard was mobilised to the incident at a property in New Road, Win-

Firefighters confirmed the fire was confined to the chimney and they dealt with the situa-

ONE person had to be rescued from a transit van which had crashed into a field on the A356 Emergency services were called at just after

2am on Sunday, December 20th to the incident which happened on the road between Crewkerne and West Chinnock Firefighters from Martock and Yeovil attended

the scene and found the van in a field with one casualty still inside.

They removed the windscreen to help get the vehicle out of the van.

■ FIREFIGHTERS were called out on Sunday, December 15th to deal with a two-vehicle crash at the Southfields roundabout on the edge of Ilminster

Crews from Ilminster and Chard were mobilised at just before 4.30pm to the incident where they found one vehicle had left the road. All people involved were free and clear of the vehicles, while police and ambulance personnel also attended the incident



■ FESTIVE FUNDRAISER: Staff from South Somerset District Council and Somerset County Council are joined by Andrew McDougall (left of cheque), and Mark Flower (centre of cheque) and Ruth Vellacott (right of cheque) from St Margaret's Hospice

## Councils raise funds for hospice in memory of former colleague

STAFF at South Somerset District Council (SSDC) and Somerset County Council (SCC) raised more than £900 for St Margaret's Hospice in memory of their colleague, Janette McDougall.

SSDC staff wore Christmas jumpers and festive accessories before the Christmas break and donated to the charity, with SCC staff based at Brympton Way joining in the fun. A raffle was also held with many prizes generously donated from a range of local businesses.

A cheque was presented to Mark Flower, community fundraiser for St Margaret's Hospice in the Yeovil area.

He said: "We are very thankful to all the staff at South Somerset District Council and Somerset County Council who joined in with this fundraising event and raised such a fantastic amount of

"The hospice relies on donations from the public in order to function, so to see such a wonderful total raised is a tribute to how much Janette was loved by all at SSDC."

Vega Sturgess, joint interim chief executive at South Somerset District Council, said: "Janette was a much loved member of staff and was always a very keen supporter of St Margaret's Hospice.

'We know that the Hospice is a cause that is close to the hearts of many local people and we are proud of the effort and generosity shown by the staff that has resulted in such a large amount being raised in just a few days."

The total collected for St Margaret's Hospice was

■ FIREFIGHTERS from Crewkerne and Yeovil were called out on Saturday, January 2nd following reports of a bungalow on fire at Haselbury Plucknett. The alarm was raised at just before 10.30am

to the incident in Yeovil Road and officers found the roof of the property well alight.

Engineers from Western Power were also requested to attend so the power to the property could be isolated. A spokesman for Devon and Somerset Fire

and Rescue Service said: "The fire was successfully put out. The fire had originally been involving an electrical distribution board which had spread to the roof."

■ POLICE were called out on Thursday, December 17th following a car fire on the outskirts of Chard.

One fire engine from Chard was mobilised at just after 10pm to the incident at Perry Street where firefighters discovered a car well alight.

The car was completely destroyed by fire and police were asked to attend the incident by Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Service due to the nature of the incident.

■ A VEHICLE was left on its roof following a crash on Sunday, December 20th near Norton-sub-Hamdon

The alarm was raised at just after 10.30pm to the incident near to Tinkers Bubble at Little

Firefighters from Martock and Yeovil attended the scene and reported that all persons were free and clear of the vehicle.

A Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Service spokesman said: "Crews got to work to make the vehicle safe.

"Due to the narrow lane where the incident happened, crews remained on the scene for the recovery vehicle to arrive."

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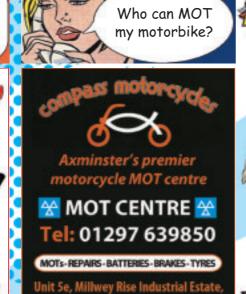
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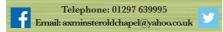




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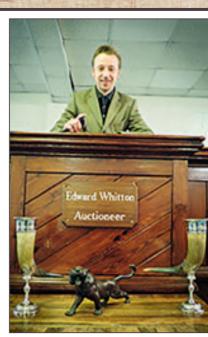
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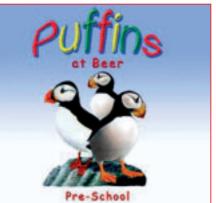
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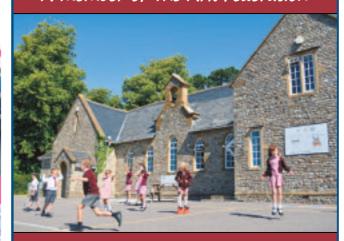
All Saints were graded as good by OFSTED in 2015 who stated that there had been improvements since the last inspection. They also celebrated the range of sports and other clubs on offer outside of lessons as well as our sporting achievements.

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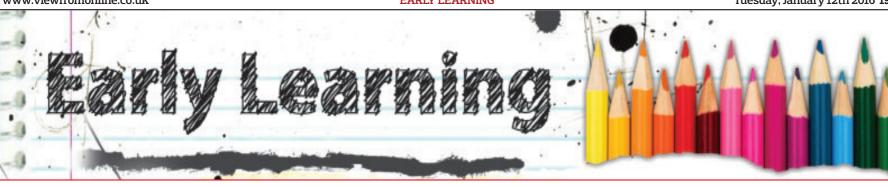
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100% of parents agreed 'my child is making

good progress at the school

Of the report, new Headmaster Mike Burgess said

'We are absolutely delighted with the outcome of our recent ISI Inspection. We knew that the level of education provision that we were achieving was of an extremely high standard and that we are helping to create well-rounded, highly capable and motivated individuals with a passion for learning and an broad outlook on life, but it is extremely gratifying to have that recognised by the report. We will continue to work on developing our offering, providing local Devon pupils and those from further afield a real and successful alternative for their education. I would like to take this opportunity to thank pupils, staff and parents who make up our community for the tremendous work that they consistently do in order to make our school such a harmonious and productive environ-





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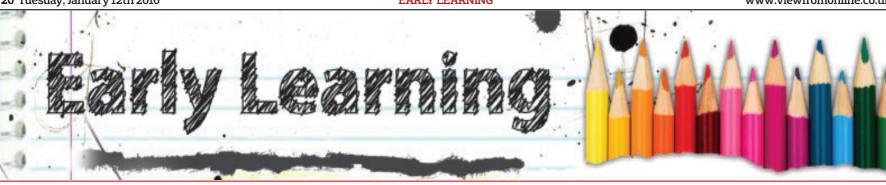


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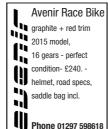
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## Local talent to feature in Walliams' Gangsta Granny

of George's Marvellous Medicine and Horrible Histories, Birmingham Stage will bring its production of David Walliams's Gangsta Granny to the Exeter Northcott Theatre in February.

David Walliams said: "I am over the moon that Gangsta Granny is coming to the stage. It's the most popular of all my books and I am sure this production by the brilliant Birmingham Stage Company will delight not just children but their parents - and of course grandpar-

Joining the Gangsta Granny cast in Exeter will be local dancer, Ellen Welch. Ellen impressed throughout the audition process, which took place in partnership with Dance in Devon, and Exeter Northcott Theatre is excited that

Ellen is returning to Exeter, where much of her early dance training took place.

Eighteen year old Ellen, currently attending the School of Ballet Theatre UK in Leicestershire. was originally educated in Crewkerne and at Swindon Dance, Much of her education, however, through Swindon's Centre for Advanced

Training in Dance scheme, saw Ellen training at the University of Exeter's Drama department.

Ellen said "I'm really looking forward to performing at Exeter Northcott Theatre. I can't wait to experience what it will be like to be in a proper, profes-



Gangsta Granny will be performed at Exeter's Northcott Theatre from Tuesday, February 2nd to Saturday, February 6th.

Tickets are priced between £15-£23, or £42-£66 for family tickets. For more details or to book visit www.exeternorthcott.co.uk or call 01392.726363





## Marvellous movies at the Beehive

MARK RYLANCE and Tom Hanks add odd-couple chemistry to the Oscar-nominated Bridge of Spies on Friday, January 15th at 7.30pm. "Cold War, Warm wit. Spielberg brings humour to the spy thriller genre" - Mark Kermode, The Guardian 4/5 star review.

Then there is Love and Mercy biopic of lead Beach Boy singer songwriter, Brian Wilson on Friday, January 22nd.

The subject is Brian Wilson's tumultuous life and creative genius which has blend of fact and fiction in this ruption. "I found myself marvelling at Paul Dano's un-Mark Kermode, The Guardian 4/5 star review.

THE passion and power of flamenco return to İlminster Arts Centre this Saturday, January 16th and Saturday, February 6th - and you can join in!

Back by popular demand, these introductory workshops, led by skilled flamenco practitioner Aneta Skut, will give beginners the chance to try their hands (and feet!) at this fascinating and culturally rich dance form.

Participants will experience the flavour of the Spanish south. through listening to flamenco music, clapping the rhythm and dancing.

After an initial warm up, the workshop will focus on footwork and arm exercises, and flamenco technique before participants put their newly acquired dance skills into practice in a short choreographed piece.

No specialist equipment is needed but participants should wear clothing that allows a full range of movement. Ladies taking

part in the workshop are advised to wear shoes with a slight heel (not slip-ons), while male participants should wear formal shoes (not

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trainers). Come along, clap your hands, stamp your feet and ENJOY this exciting new workshop at the Arts

Aneta's previous flamenco workshop at the Arts Centre was a sell out, so advance booking is recommended. To book place, telephone the box office on 01460 54973.

## Three Early Short Films by Frank Borzage

undiscovered directors to have emerged from Hollywood, Frank Borzage, with a new live score by Kate Lissauer, will be shown at Ilminster's Warehouse Theatre

The films are 'The Pitch O'Chance' (1916, 25 Mins), 'The Pilgrim' (1916, 28 mins), and 'Nugget Jim's Pardner'(1916, 25 mins).

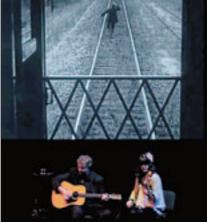
Beginning his career as a successful and sought-after actor, Borzage began directing short films in 1915. Unlike many of his peers, he chose to reject the sensational, overstated obsession with action and spectacle, which was a common ingredient of the cinema of the time, and focussed instead on emotional and sensual elements of the stories he filmed. Kate's programme contains three short Westerns which he both directed and starred in. Unusually for the Western genre, Borzage's films contain no chases, robberies or dramatic rescues; he presents, in contrast, portraits of three very specific individuals and the changes they undergo from seemingly random and unremarkable encounters. Novice that he was, Borzage's bold rejection of the established rules of film-making gives a modern audience a wonderful, refreshing look at a long-established film tradition.

Providing a musical accompaniment to these three

John Whelan has been playing country and mountain music on the five-string banjo for many years. John has learned from and been inspired by some of America's finest pickers, and has developed a creative and versatile style, including his own brand of two and three-finger

Jason Titley was a long-time member of The Daily Planet, which toured extensively throughout Europe and in the US and left three landmark albums in its wake Jason also appears on Kate's solo album Stately Mansion and regularly plays in Kate's band, Buffalo Gals. Jason's flair for improvisation and deep understanding of rhythm - he is also a percussionist - always makes his playing engaging and exciting.

Kate Lissauer presents 'Sonic Silents' at Warehouse Theatre, Ilminster, on Saturday, January 16th at 7.30pm. Tickets are £9 (concessions £8, children/students £7), available from Lanes Garden Shop (Silver Street) or by calling 07943 779880.







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Friday 15 Jan 7.30pm £6.50/£5.50

A Brooklyn lawyer finds himself thrust into the centre of the Cold War when the CIA sends him to negotiate the release of an American U-2 pilot. "Tom Hanks & Mark Rylance red hot in Steven Spielberg's magnificent cold war thriller" 5/5 stars The Guardian.



#### LOVE & MERCY

Friday 22 Jan 7.30pm £6.50/£5.50 The life, love & genius of Brian Wilson, singer/songwriter/leader of The Beach Boys. "You feel like you're right there in the studio with Brian Wilson as he creates Pet Sounds...the film is tender and moving, but also awe-inspiring." Owen Gleiberman, BBC.com

For all event details visit

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Beehive box office: 01404 384050



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## Speakeasy at the Arts Centre

TOP jazz pianist Mike Denham returns to Ilminster Arts Centre to host another of his 'Speak-Easy Nights' on Friday, January 22nd Time flies when you're having fun - it's hard to believe that this will be Mike's 18th SpeakEasy at the Arts Centre. He should be given the keys to the Meeting House at this rate!

Joining Mike for this landmark event is iazz guitarist Martin Wheatley.

An extremely versatile and accomplished musician, Martin also plays banjo, ukulele, mandolin and steel guitar, specialising in the musical genres of the

The show starts at 8pm on Friday, January 22nd. Tickets are £12, and a pre-show supper is available for £13 at 7pm, but must be pre-booked. For more details and to book call 01460 54973 or visit www.themeetinghouse.org.uk

## Martock Guardians to welcome the returning Yeovilton Military Band

THE Martock Guardians present a fourth concert by Yeovilton Military Band (aka HMS Heron Volunteer Band), playing marches, classical items and swing, film & show tunes, under the direction of Band Colour Sergeant Iain Scullion RM.

The concert takes place at Martock Parish Church (TA12 6JL) on Thursday, February 18th at 7.30pm.

The band are touring Germany earlier in the month, but will fit us into their busy schedule

Their three previous concerts here were enthusiastically received and the Guardians look forward to their return. Tickets £8 on the door or £7 from 01936 822706 or via email at hckmlewis@talktalk.net



## Flying Folk trio prove three into one does go

tre's brings together three young West Country musicians who have been tipped for great things. Louise Jordan, Hattie Briggs and Jemima Farey have all performed at IAC previously and for this return visit they will each play an individual set, followed by a final set where all three will perform together.

Louise Jordan's music has been described as 'a masterclass in songwriting'. Fusing classical influences and a folk sensibility, Louise accompanies herself on piano and guitar to play original works and musical settings of literature as



well as her own arrangements of traditional material. BBC Radio 2's doyen of folk Mike Harding has described her work as 'absolutely, totally and completely, brilliant.'

Hattie Briggs is a Gloucestershire-based singer songwriter who released her critically acclaimed debut album Red & Gold in 2015. Drawing inspiration from Eva Cassidy, James Taylor and Joni Mitchell, her music blends folk and pop. Recently labelled 'one to watch" by the Independent, her profile has been growing since being nominated for the BBC Radio 2 Young Folk Award 2014. She completed her first national tour last spring supporting Kathryn Roberts and Sean Lakeman.

Somerset's-own Jemima Farey released her debut album Good Days at the age of just 17, showcasing her ability to write polgnant ballads as well as lively and sometimes humorous songs. Singer–songwriter Jemima is a captivating performer, incor– porating themes into her music such as family, loved ones and cherished places. Her delicate guitar work provides the perfect accompaniment for her mesmerising voice.

This will be an unforgettable evening of fantastic folk music, performed by three young talents as their careers take off. Just remember, you saw them here first! Flying Folk perform at Ilminster Arts Centre at the Meeting House this Friday, Jan-

uary 15th, from 8pm. Tickets are £10, available from www.themeetinghouse.org.uk or by calling 01460 54973.







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APR 6	4 DAYS	ANTIQUES FAYRENOTTINGHAMSHIRE		JUNE 25		GOODWOOD FESTIVAL OF SPEED	£209.00
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APR 18	5 DAYS	THE DUTCH BULBFIELDS & THE BEST OF HOLLAND	£395.00	JULY 2	8 DAYS	CHRISTIAN BASED TOUR JERSEY	£645.00
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HONITON: 'Women Artists from 1500 to 1800'. A Honiton Decorative and Fine Arts Society illustrated lecture, which considers successful women painters in Europe and the social constraints which caused relatively few of them to be known to us today. At The Beehive, Dowell St. Honiton EX14 1LZ, at 2pm. Non members welcome – £6 donation suggested. No booking required. For further information see www.honiton-dfas.org.uk or phone 01404 548 113.

#### **WEDNESDAY JANUARY 13TH**

HONITON: Beehive Scottish Folk Café, 8pm. Free entry. Come along and sing or listen in the Beehive bar, with host Sue King. A Scottish twist every month – wear Tartan or bring a Scottish song or tune to sing or play.

HONITON: Honiton U3A begin their New Year programme of meetings on Wednesday 13th January at The Beehive, Dowell Street, Honiton when they welcome their speaker. Janet Diamond who will be giving a talk entitled 'Nomads to Nation - The Settling of the Nile Valley' – a look into the 3,000 year history of ancient Egypt and its civilisation. Doors open 1.30pm for a 2pm start. Members Free and Visitors welcome (suggested donation of £2.00). Further information: 01404 43799 COLYFORD: Axe Valley Centre National Trust, illustrated

talk by Don Archer From Chatsworth to Crystal Palace' at Colyford Memorial Hall, 2.30pm Nonmembers admission £2 including refreshment. COLYTON: Ancient Trees in the Urban Environment

- a talk by Chris Knapman (Devon Ancient Tree Forum) at 2.30 pm in The Pavilion, Peace Memorial Playing Fields. Coly Road, Colyton. All welcome. Donation at door please. Organised by the Devonshire Association (Axe Valley Branch). Telephone 01297 678529 for information.

OTTERY ST MARY: Short Mat Bowls at the Institute, Yonder Street, 9.45am-12noon. Visitors welcome. For more details call 01404 812124.

#### **THURSDAY JANUARY 14TH**

**CHARD:** Chard Royal Naval Association will be holding their AGM meeting at 7.30pm at the Chard Conservative club. Anyone wishing to join the association should attend this meeting where they will be made most welcome. Details before doing so can be obtained from the Secretary Mr Gary Pennells on 01460 77978 or Paula Moon 01460 929041 SEATON: Seaton Garden Club monthly meeting will take place at 2.30 pm at the Masonic Hall, Queen Street, Seaton. Illustrated talk by Clive Groves from Groves Nursery entitled "Trekking in the Himalayas through a Nurseryman's eyes". Visitors welcome, charge £2.00 to include refreshments. Contact details: 01297 24049

SEAVINGTON: Seavington Gardening Club meeting in the Millennium Hall, 7.30pm. Neil Lovesy will give a talk on 'Twelve Months of Colour in the Garden'. **SIDMOUTH:** Sidmouth Ballroom Dancing Club every Thursday 8–10pm at St Francis Hall. Dancers of all abilities welcome. For more details call 01395 579856.

#### **FRIDAY JANUARY 15TH**

HONITON: Film: 'Bridge of Spies' (cert 12A) at the Beehive, 7.30pm. Tickets £6.50, under 16s £5.50. **Crewkerne:** Sequence dancing at the Victoria Hall from 1.45pm to 4pm. Tea and Biscuits, Raffle, £2 per person. More details call 01935 415520 or 01308 862866

**Ахмоитн:** Sensory Sounds Celebration in Axmouth Village Hall, 7pm. An evening to celebrate and experience sound in different sensory ways, including drumming, singing, Gregorian Chant, simple dance, hand bells and a Sound Bath. Participation is welcomed at whatever level you are comfortable with. Free event with refreshments on offer, Call 01297 23822 for further information

#### **SATURDAY JANUARY 16TH**

HONITON: Film: 'Florence & The Uffizi Gallery' at the Beehive, 7.30pm. Tickets £10.

**Axmouth:** Axe Estuary Clean-up. Meet at Axmouth Bridge lay-by. 10am-12noon. Wear wellies, gloves and warm clothes. For more details call 01297 20326. CREWKERNE: Flea Market at the Speedwell Hall, Abbey Street, TA18 7HY. 2 minutes turn left behind the town hall. Free admission, 9am - 1pm -Tea, Coffee & cakes Tables £10.00 please call Peter on 07885 171606. Raising funds for new floor for The Speedwell Hall charity a Crewkerne treasure.

TIPTON ST JOHN: Tipton St John PTFA Jumble Sale at Tipton Village Hall, 10.30am-12.30pm. Call lisa on 07811209667 if you have any good used clothes or bric-a-brac for collection within the Ottery/ tipton/sidmouth area before Friday 15th.

SUNDAY JANUARY 17TH
SIDMOUTH: ShelterBox Tea Dance at Stowford Centre. 2.30pm. Ballroom & Sequence dancing hosted by Jean and David (01395 579856). £3 per dancer, licensed cafe open for light refreshments

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## **SOMERSET Farmers** MARKETS CREWKERNE

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### Sat 16th January

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SIDMOUTH: Piano, Poetry & Prose for a New Year, at Sidholme Music Room, Elysian Fields (EX10 8UJ), from 3.30pm. Bucket collection for restoration fund.

#### **MONDAY JANUARY 18TH**

Axminster: Carnival Bingo at the Guildhall. Doors open 7pm, eyes down 8pm.

CREWKERNE: Crewkerne Awareness January Meeting, with guest Speaker Heather McDonald on 'Spiritual Messages in Photographs'. At the Meeting Room, Unitarian Chapel, Crewkerne. 7pm – 9,30pm, Admission £2,50 (Includes Light Refresh– ments). Everyone Welcome. Further details telephone Anastasia 01460 351019 CHARD: Chard, Ilminster and District U3A invites

anyone who has retired from full employment to come to Chard Guildhall at  $2\,\mathrm{pm}$  for a cup of tea/coffee and biscuits and learn about 'The History of the Gurkhas with Brigadier David Morgan. OTTERY ST MARY: Short Mat Bowls at the Institute, Yonder Street, 7–10pm. Visitors welcome. For more details call 01404 812124.

**Hawkchurch:** Hawkchurch History Society – a talk on the Cistercian Monks at Forde Abbey, by the Reverend Canon Claude Rutter at Hawkchurch Village Hall. 7pm for 7.30pm. Non-members welcome. £3 inc refreshments.

#### **TUESDAY JANUARY 19**TH

CREWKERNE: Tuesday Welcome Group at Henhayes Centre. £1per session. For people 70/80+ who like to meet other people and enjoy a few activities like painting, pottery, music, guizzes and occasional bingo. Transport can be arranged, and a cooked meal can be purchased from £3.50. Take-away

#### **WEDNESDAY JANUARY 20TH**

**BEER:** Jurassic Folk Club at the Dolphin Hotel, Fore Street 8–10.30pm. Music and song for all to enjoy. Free admission for musicians, singers and spectators. For more details call 01404 46451 or 549903. TATWORTH: FREE Tea & Talk "RNAS Yeovilton Past. Present & Future" in the Brewer Room at Tatworth

Memorial Hall. 2pm. Organised by Tatworth & Forton Active Living. For more details call 01460 220339. SEATON: Men's Probus Club meeting 10 a.m. Methodist Church Hall, Scallwell Lane. Talk by Darren Walker of Devon Action entitled 'Help and Ad-

vice for the over 50s'. TRINITY HILL, NEAR AXMINSTER: Work party, 10am-4pm at Trinity Hill LNR, Rhododendron clearance. Meet reserve CP (SY307959). Bring lunch. For

more details call 01297 552945. OTTERY ST MARY: Short Mat Bowls at the Institute, Yonder Street, 9.45am-12noon. Visitors welcome. For more details call 01404 812124.

**CREWKERNE:** Bingo with cash prizes at Henhayes

Centre. Eyes down 2.30pm.

#### WEDNESDAY JANUARY 20TH - SATURDAY 23RD

OTTERY ST MARY: Ottery Community Theatre presents Sinbad the Sailor. 7.30 pm nightly with a Saturday matinee at 2.30 pm. Tickets £6.50, Adults and £4.00 U18s available from Ottery St Mary Post Office. For Groups of 10 or more please phone 01404 814545

CREWKERNE: The Pirate Panto by Ann Brolly at Victoria Hall, Crewkerne, 7.30pm nightly and matinee at 2.30 pm. Tickets £7.00 and £6.00 concessions, available from www.cudos.org.uk or 01460 74380.

#### THURSDAY JANUARY 21st

CHARD: Chard Camera Club will be away from their base as they visit Wellington Camera Club at Wellington for the first inter club competition of the new year

CREWKERNE: Over 50s Keep Fit at Henhayes Centre. 10am-11am, £2.50 for members, £3.50 for non-

CHARD: Free Cooking Demonstrations For Heart & Diabetes with HALFF (Health and Local Food for Families). 10.30–12.30pm. Free healthy cooking demonstrations giving hints and ideas for cooking and covering nutritional advice for people with, or at risk of, type 2 diabetes, heart disease and high blood pressure. At Crowshute House, Crowshute Link, Chard, TA20 2EZ. No need to book, just turn up, it's free. Chat, learn, eat. Call Laura on 01297 631782 for more information, email

laura@halff.org.uk or go to www.halff.org.uk. Sidmouth: Sidmouth Ballroom Dancing Club every Thursday 8–10pm at St Francis Hall. Dancers of all abilities welcome. For more details call 01395 579856.

#### FRIDAY JANUARY 22ND

TATWORTH: Film: '45 Years' (cert 12a) at Tatworth Memorial Hall. Doors 7.15pm, film 8pm. Organised by T&F Movies. For more details call 01460 220198

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Ridgeway. We are now in our 28th year, and now that Cohen is a little older, we have increased our

If you are planning your wedding come along for an informal chat on the 23rd January. Our Wedding Taster Evening between will be held between 7pm-9pm. Taste some of our delights or just have a look around, whether you are planning a wedding, celebration or a party The Ridgeway is a great venue. Set in a great location, menu's can be devised to suit all pockets and tastes. We have a civil license for wedding and civil ceremonies, or the Rafters restaurant is a great venue for those special birthdays or anniversaries, and is available for private hire, our bar service is free.

We are now taking bookings for Valentines for

the 13th and 14th February, please enquire for

The Ridgeway is open Tuesday through to Sunday for a traditional lunch. It is always best to call ahead if you are making a special journey as we do try to have the occasional day trip with Cohen.

New for 2016 is our wood fired oven, so come and try our authentic pizzas and watch them being cooked from £8.50. Our January special offer is available on Friday and Saturday nights- when you order a Bresola Pizza (Beef & crumbled Dorset Blue Vinny) you get a Hawaiian Pizza for

Our popular Sunday Carvery is back £10.95, January specials include slow cooked lamb shank, salmon wellington and juicy steaks.

At the moment we are only lighting the oven on a Friday and Saturday night and Sunday lunch, although if you would like to book a party and we will exclusively light it for you (minimum eight

So why not visit the Ridgeway for great food, great atmosphere and great company.

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## IDGEWAY COUNTRY

FUNCTIONS - MEETING ROOM

23RD JANUARY 7PM - 9PM

Wedding Taster Evening

ALSO TAKING BOOKINGS FOR



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## Diary Dates

Honiton: Film: 'Love and Mercy' (cert 12A) at the Beehive, 7.30pm. Tickets £6.50, under 16s £5.50. **CREWKERNE:** Sequence dancing at the Victoria Hall from 1.45pm to 4pm. Tea and Biscuits. Raffle. £2 per person. More details call 01935 415520 or

CHARD: Chard Rotary Club Burn's Night Ceilidh and Auction of Promises with FREE haggis. At Chard Guildhall, 7.30pm–10.30pm. Tickets £10 (bring your own supper). Available from Barron's Outfitters (Chard) and Chard Guildhall.

**CREWKERNE:** Chef's Special Lunch – £7.50, at the Henhayes Centre. Roast Beef and Yorkshire Pudding, Eton Mess. 12 noon for 12.30pm. Prior book ing essential. For more details or to book call 01460 74340

**SEATON:** Free Cooking Demonstrations For Heart & Diabetes with HALFF (Health and Local Food for Families). 10.30–12.30pm. Free healthy cooking demonstrations giving hints and ideas for cooking and covering nutritional advice for people with, or at risk of, type 2 diabetes, heart disease and high blood pressure. At The United Reformed Church Hall, Cross Street, Seaton EX12 2LH. No need to book, just turn up, it's free. Chat, learn, eat. Call Ros on 01297 631782 for more information, email admin@halff.org.uk or go to www.halff.org.uk ILMINSTER: Somerset Wildlife Trust Ilminster/Chard

group start their 2016 programme with a presentation "Steart Marshes Wildfowl and Wetland Reserve". Alys Laver the acting site manager will outline the reasons and value behind the scheme which provides a mosaic of habitats for wildlife and people to enjoy. At Parish Hall, North Street. Everyone welcome. £2 members, £3 non-members, no charge for children, Refreshments available, and SWT books on sale.

WEST HILL: West Hill Residents' Association Meeting, at 7.30 p.m. in West Hill Village Hall. Tim Leat and Liz Govier of Gilbert Stephens Solicitors LLP will talk about Lasting Power of Attorney. This is a subject that everyone needs to know about and there will an opportunity to ask questions. There will also be an update on the Local Plan, the Villages Plan and the Neighbourhood Plan, Residents will also have a chance to have their say and raise any issues of interest to the village. The meeting is open to all residents.

#### **SATURDAY JANUARY 23RD**

HONITON: Orchestral Workshop with the CBSO. 10am-6pm. Play-through at 5pm open to the public. No admission charge, retiring collection. For experience string players. Enquiries to

SIDMOUTH: 'Winter Wonderland' Weekend Dancing with Dancing Duo Henry & Jeannie. At Stowford Centre, 8-11pm. Free parking. Bring your own snacks. Tea, coffee and biscuits provided. Pay on

MERRIOTT: Merriott Social Club, live music in the bar with Nik-James from 9pm. Free entry, non mem-

**DALWOOD:** Tuckers Arms Jazz Club with the Annika Skoogh Quartet, 8pm. Featuring Annika Skoogh (vocals), Matt Carter (keyboard), Coach York (drums), and Al Swainger (bass). At the Tuckers Arms (EX13 7EG). Tickets £7 in advance or at the door. For more details call 01404 831280, or visit www.dalwoodvillage.co.uk

#### **MONDAY JANUARY 25TH**

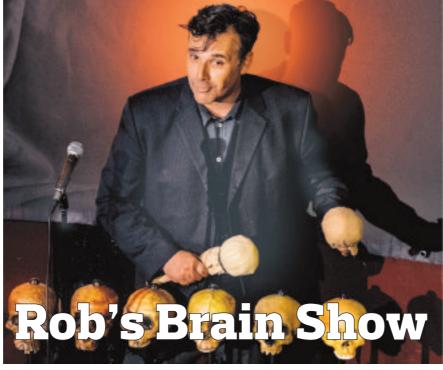
**Axminster:** Carnival Bingo at the Guildhall. Doors open 7pm, eyes down 8pm.

BEER: Beer Film Society presents "45 Years" cert 15 starring Charlotte Rampling and Tom Courtenay. At Steamers Restaurant in Beer doors open at 7pm, film 7,30pm General Public £5, Members £3.50. All welcome, bar and refreshments available. www.beerfilmsociety.org.uk

OTTERY ST MARY: Short Mat Bowls at the Institute, Yonder Street, 7–10pm. Visitors welcome. For more details call 01404 812124.

TUESDAY JANUARY 26TH
ILMINSTER: Study Day. 'Who Says? Making Judgements in Art'. This study day is led by David Phillips, and explores what makes a piece of art good, bad or indifferent, and what makes it valuable - or worthless? And when is a piece of art in good taste – and when is it just kitsch? Ticket prices: members £35, non members £40. For more details and application form see our website ne rochedfas.org.uk or telephone Mrs.Wendy Outram 01460 259113. At Monks Yard, Horton Cross, 10am-3.30pm (including lunch

SIDMOUTH: All Saints Tea Dance for Childrens Hospice SouthWest, 2.30pm. Every fourth Tuesday of the month, 01395 577122



FOLLOWING sell-out performances at Edinburgh and across the UK in 2014, one of Britain's finest comedians Rob Newman is back on the road with his brand new show, 'The Brain Show', in which he takes a sceptical approach to some grand claims made by neuroscience.

After volunteering for a brainimaging experiment meant to locate the part of the brain that lights up when you're in love, Rob emerges with more questions than answers Can brain scans read our minds? Are

the mind? If each brain has more connections than there are atoms in the universe, then how big will a map of the brain have to be?

Seeking answers to these questions, The Brain Show explores everything from the thoughtprocesses of stripy spiders to the neurobiology of romantic love, and from Alan Turing in a fortune-teller's tent to Isaac Newton having a meltdown at a County Fair.

The Brain Show features weird

and wonderful electronic props such as a live brain-imaging electroencephalograph (EEG) hat, which gives the audience a read-out of Rob's fluctuating mental state during the show

Rob Newman brings 'The Brain Show' to the Marine Theatre, Lyme Regis on Sunday, January 31st. Doors and bar open 7pm, show 8pm.

Tickets cost £15 (£12 concessions), and are available online at www.marinetheatre.com or by calling 01297 442138.

## Diary Dates

#### WEDNESDAY JANUARY 27TH

Axminster: Coffee Afternoon and Cooking Demo with HALFF (Health and Local Food for Families)  $2.30\text{--}4pm.\,$  At the HALFF Food Hub, South Street, Axminster. No need to book, just turn up, it's free. Call Ros on 01297 631782 for more information or email admin@halff.org.uk

SEATON: Devon Senior Voice - Seaton Area. The next meeting will be at Seaton Methodist Church Hall between 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. The speaker will be Helen Hlecarpentier from Axe Valley Care. For any further information about the meeting or Devon Senior Voice please contact Roger/Tina Trapani on 01297 21788. OTTERY ST MARY: Short Mat Bowls at the Institute,

Yonder Street, 9.45am–12noon. Visitors welcome. For more details call 01404 812124. UPLYME: Uplyme and Lyme Regis Horticultural Society's first meeting of 2016. A Social Evening

Seed Swap and Quiz, at 7.30pm at Uplyme Village Hall. A good time to catch up with friends, swap your spare seeds, pay subscriptions, book for outings and collect a 2016 Summer Show Schedule. The quiz will be fairly lighthearted and not too long, allowing plenty of time for socialising. Bring and Share supper

#### THURSDAY JANUARY 28TH

Axminster: Cook and Chat coffee morning and cooking demo. For Parents/Carers with children, by HALFF (Health and Local Food for Families). At the HALFF Food Hub, South Street, Axminster 9.30–11am. No need to book, just turn up, it's free. Call Ros on 01297 631782 for more information or email admin@halff.org.uk.

**CLAPTON:** Community Coffee Morning, hosted by Clapton & Wayford Village Hall from 10.30am -12.30pm. There will be a cake stall & raffle; all contributions welcomed. Do come and join us, to support your local facility, whilst meeting friends & neighbours or getting to know new people; all welcome. More details from Sue (01460 74433) SIDMOUTH: Sidmouth Ballroom Dancing Club every Thursday 8-10pm at St Francis Hall. Dancers of all abilities welcome. For more details call 01395 579856.

#### FRIDAY JANUARY 29TH

Honiton: Film: 'Suffragette' (cert 12A), with preshow talk 'Juanita Maxwell Phillips; a Honiton Suffragette', at the Beehive, 7.30pm. Tickets £6.50,

CREWKERNE: Sequence dancing at the Victoria Hall from 1.45pm to 4pm. Tea and Biscuits. Raffle. £2 per person. More details call 01935 415520 or 01308 862866

#### SATURDAY JANUARY 30TH

HONITON: Theatre: Chaplin, performed by Pip Utton. At the Beehive, 7.30pm. Tickets £8. COLYTON: Work Party at Colyton Community Woodland, 10am-4pm. Hedge laying, bramble clearance. Meet at site car park, Hillhead (SY245934). For more details call 01297 552945. **BEER:** Seaton Beer and District Branch of RNLI SOS Table Top Sale. 9am–12.30pm (doors open for sellers at 8am), at the Mariners Hall. Table hire £6. To hire a table and for more details call 07814 364527. Come along for bacon butties, tea and coffee plus raffle. Stalls include Cakes, Jewellery, Bric-a-Brac, Books, Home Goods and Toys

UPLYME: Concert by Lionel Handy (internationally acclaimed cellist) accompanied by Jennifer Hughes. At Uplyme Church, 7pm. £10 on the door. Children free. Faure, Ireland, Delius and Ravel.

CREWKERNE: Big Breakfast at Henhayes Centre. For more details call 01460 74340.

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NEROCHE: 'The Art & Craft of the Pewterer', 7.15pm. This lecture by Andrew Spira will describe what pewter is, the history and decorative techniques, every step of the manufacturing process and various national styles. Guests £5. For more details visit nerochedfas.org.uk

OTTERY ST MARY: Short Mat Bowls at the Institute, Yonder Street, 7-10pm. Visitors welcome. For more details call 01404 812124.

#### TUESDAY FEBRUARY 2ND

CHARD: Chard Ladies' Evening Guild will have a talk by David Sutcliffe on Edwardian Music Hall at 7.30pm at Manor Court School. Visitors and new members will be very welcome.

CHARD: Chard Camera Club holding a talk by Mr Andy Beel FRPS entitled 'The Untitled Monochrome' at the Baptist Church Hall, Holyrood Street at 7.30pm. Any newcomers wishing to attend will be made most welcome. Further details can be obtained from their website www.chardcameraclub.org.uk or by giving Mr Peter Partridge a call on 01460 66885





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# Pulman's Property View (\*\*)

# HAPPY NEW YEAR! Mark Goodenough of Pennys Estate Agents offers some thoughts on the property year ahead

WELCOME to 2016 and a new era in property. It promises to be an eventful-packed year. The way has already been prepared for a change in April when higher stamp duty rates are applied to properties bought for buy-to-let or second home purposes. So expect a busy time for the next few months as buyers rush to complete purchases before the axe falls.

And what is happening with the ripple effect – the radiating waves of consequence that the London property market has on housing elsewhere in the UK? London now seems more disconnected than ever from the rest of Britain, as prices have spiralled from highly expensive to largely unaffordable over the past few years. And don't think for a moment that

the unaffordable tag does not affect the super- and even uber-rich. It does.

So what about those who do not want to buy a holiday home or investment property – those people who merely want a roof over their heads? Well 2016 may be eventful-packed for them also including

a possible lift in house prices of between five and eight per cent. But it will be a slow and frustrating start. 2015 saw ten straight months of selling instruction decline. The stock of unsold properties is currently the lowest ever recorded. The law of supply and demand suggests this should have a positive effect on prices in many parts of the UK. Like global warming, the UK housing market is open to conflicting interpretation.

So 2016 will certainly not be without its challenges in the property market. But we are used to handling challenges for our clients. Our advice, as always, is purchase carefully within your means - and this includes your means if mortgage interest rates rise. This year will not be a perfect one for property speculation without the greatest prudence and care. But it will be a good year for settling into a home that provides safety, warmth and shelter for you and your family in these uncertain times. Whatever is going on in the world any year is a good year to do that.

For a discussion regarding you property needs, whether buying or selling throughout East Devon in 2016, Mark can be contacted on 01297 22224.





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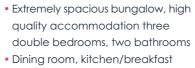


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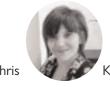




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#### Wychall Orchard, Seaton

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- heating

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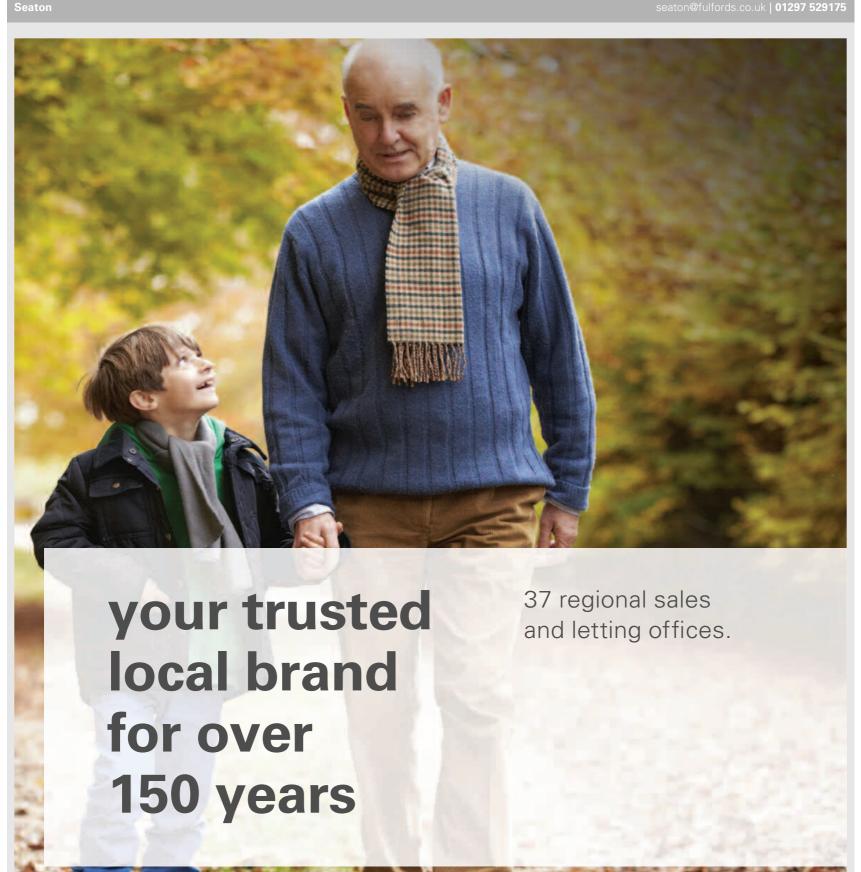


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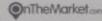


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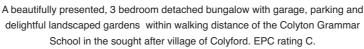
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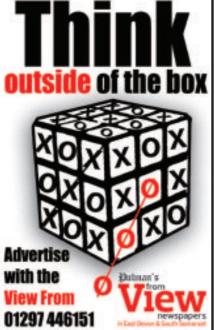
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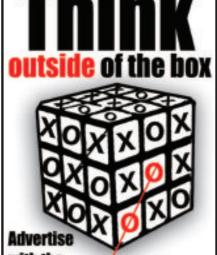
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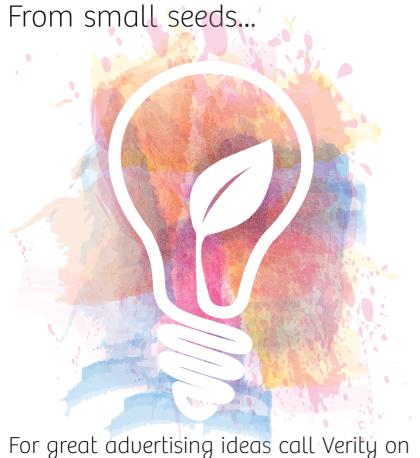
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#### Kia joins Go Ultra Low campaign as plug-in cars PrivateCarSales become default choice for savvy motorists ranges - some as long as 700 miles,

KIA Motors has added its weight to the UK government and auto industry-backed campaign for ultra low emission vehicles (ULEVS) – Go Ultra Low. As the popularity of alternatively powered cars and vans continues to rise, the Korean manufacturer's move reinforces the direction of travel for the automotive industry. The Go Ultra Low campaign exists to

highlight the benefits of using a plug-in vehicle and encourage consumers and businesses to make the switch to electric. Transport Minister, Andrew Jones fastest growing ultra low emission vehicle markets in the world and I warmly welcome Kia to the Go Ultra Low campaign. It is another example of leading car and van manufacturers sharing our ambitions for this exciting and increasingly popular technology.

"British drivers have a wider choice of cleaner, greener cars than ever before and we have increased our support for plug-in vehicles to £600 million over the course of this parliament to cut emissions, create jobs and support our cutting-edge industries.''

Since pure electric and plug-in hybrid cars became available as a mainstream rapidly as choice expanded. Today, there are 30 different ultra low emission vehicles on sale offering a wide variety of model sizes and performance attributes,

from family cars and vans to SUVs and advanced new products and technolosports cars.

Poppy Welch, Head of Go Ultra Low, "Kia is a great addition to the Go Ultra Low campaign, and its Kia Soul EV fits well alongside the wide variety of adaptable and practical plug-in vehicles we represent. The addition of Kia will boost our goal to raise awareness of ultra low emission vehicles, and their cost-effective benefits, in addition to broadening choice for motorists. Their inclusion in the campaign shows there really is a plug-in car for everyone.

The addition of Kia to the Go Ultra Low campaign highlights how ULEVs have become the norm for car buyers, alongside conventionally powered vehicles, such as those with diesel and petrol engines. The influx of more plug-in models to the market has boosted uptake of ULEVs in recent years, with more than 26,000 motorists making the leap to efficient, economical and low-emission vehicles in 2015, more than doubling the size of the market in a single year.

Paul Philpott, President and CEO of Kia Motors UK and Ireland, said: "Kia Motors recently set out its roadmap for low emission cars so joining the Go  $\overset{\cdot}{\text{Ultra}}\,\text{Low}$ campaign was an easy decision for us. The electric and plug-in hybrid vehicle market will grow rapidly in the coming vears and we are committed to meeting the increased demand. In addition to our Soul EV, we will be introducing a range of

gies to add to the growing selection of plug-in cars already available within the Go Ultra Low consortium."

Electric cars can be driven for as little as 2p per mile, compared with 10-12p for a conventionally powered car, meaning drivers can potentially save around £800 each year. Added to this, the variety of cars available - from city runarounds and family hatchbacks to, SUVs and sports cars - an extensive charging network and growing range of plug-in hybrids boasting extensive

electric car. Go Ultra Low exists to help motorists

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understand the benefits, cost savings and capabilities of the raft of ultra low emission vehicles on the market. The collaborative campaign is the first of its kind, bringing together a consortium of vehicle manufacturers, Government and the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders (SMMT). Further details are available at www.GoUltraLow.com



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## **Honda launches Limited Edition** Civic and Black Edition CR-V



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of the popular Civic and CR-V next month. Both arriving into dealer forecourts from the start of February, the Civic Limited Edition is just £14,995 on the road and the from £29,995.

Three years after the last version of the CR-V Black Edition first launched, Honda has revived the more sporty, premium look. Available in 4WD with a choice of petrol Edition starts from £29,995 for the manual 2.0 i–VTEC and tops out at £33,730 for the automatic 1.6 i-DTEC.

On the exterior, owners will get running boards, a tailgate CR-V Black Edition starts spoiler, 19" black alloys, a gloss black front grille as well as gloss black skid plates on the front and rear. The highquality full leather interior features contrasting stitching with an embossed Black Edition logo on the front and

two new special editions matic, the new CR-V Black panels and arm rests are also Metal, Milano Red and Crystal leather. The interior is finished off with premium carpet £14,995 on the road. mats complete with the Black Edition logo.

Based on the standard 1.4 i-VTEC S manual, the new Civic Limited Edition lands in dealerships from the start of February and comes with 16" aero alloys, body coloured wheel arches, front panel and rear skirt to give the car a slightly more aggressive sporty look. Available in Bril-

HONDA UK is set to launch or diesel and manual or auto- rear seats while the door liant Sporty Blue, Polished Black, the new car is priced at

Philip Crossman, Managing Director at Honda UK, commented: "This time last year we had the oldest range on the market and were about to launch the latest Civic and CR-V. This limited edition Civic and the Black Edition CR-V are fantastic additions to the core product line up and will make for a great start

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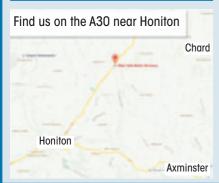
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## Sport – the latest local news



football round-up

## Fixture backlog becoming a concern

## Even state-of-the-art drainage can't cope!

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#### AXMINSTER TOWN 0 SIDMOUTH TOWN 0 SW Peninsula Div One (E)

(abandoned - 32 mins)

THERE was a decent crowd at Tiger Way with hosts Axminster Town confident that their brand spanking new ground's drainage would ensure Saturday's local derby against Sidmouth Town would go

At kick off the ground was borderline at best but the match referee was happy and the game went ahead with surface water evident at every chal-

Will both sets of players understandably taking a time to get to grip with the conditions there were few early

Luke Finn cracked a 20-yarder just over the angle of the Vikings' goal frame in the sixth minute and then visiting skipper Ryan Davies did well to divert a shot off his own line with the help of the

At the other end Tony Cox's low drive was parried by Scott Wells-Burr and Mike Benyon could only divert the rebound wide of the post.

With conditions worsening considerably, Ben Turner weaved into the Sidmouth area, side stepped keeper Alex Bowring and fired in a shot from 15 yards which was headed for the empty net but the ball held up in the surface water on the six yard line!

This incident prompted the referee to consult both managers and, after a brief discussion, call the game off with no-

body in the ground at all surprised.

Tigers; Scott Wells-Burr, Mark Smale Jon Hurford (Capt), Mark Scott, Elliot Dyer, Alex Wheatley, Luke Finn, Brad-Lee Miller, Callum Garrett, Liam Cleal. Subs; Dan Beer, Adam Cole, Nathan

Vikings; Alex Bowring, Kieren White, Jamie Newbury, Ant Grifiths, Tony Cox, Billy Rowse, Ryan Davies (Capt), Tyler Wellman, Connor Swingler, Cameron Vere, Mike Benyon. Subs; Jaken Allen, Gary Dixon, Damien Armes, Ferenc Bodor, Will Jenkins.

#### FIXTURES - January 16th TOOLSTATION LEAGUE LES PHILLIPS CUP - R1 Hengrove Athletic v Chard Town (3pm)

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#### Referees required

THE shortage of referees is beginning to hit the Perry Street & District league hard. League Secretary Bob Brunt said: "Every week I have had to send emails out informing clubs we have no official referee for their game.

'There are various reasons why this has happened, but since the start of the season we have lost three or four.

My wife Ruth (PSDL Referees Appointments Secretary) and I have been on to all the local county FA development officers in the hope of improving the situation - we are determined to see more refs in this league in the future.

'We are working at reducing costs etc. Drimpton Football Club have helped by offering their hall and pitch free of charge an upcoming course.

"We need at around 10 applicants to run the course which will be run over two weekends in April or May, we have the support of both Dorset and Somerset FAs with this project.

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## Narrow loss, but good signs for Chard

#### SOUTH WEST DIVISION ONE

CHARD put up a really solid performance on their first ever visit to Newent but lost narrowly against a more than useful side who won the game because of a few inspired bits of play from their back division. The weather was absolutely ap-

palling throughout and both sides deserved credit for producing a very competitive game for the surprisingly large number of spectators who braved the ele-

Chard lost the toss and were asked to play down the slope in the opening half. The forwards again played well with Luke Aplin, Dave Biss Will Hopkinson, Max Gosden, Casey Watson and the rest all putting in good performances but the home side were very strong defensively, particularly at the back, and they dealt well with all that Chard had

The teams were fairly evenly matched in the opening half hour but the last ten minutes of the half saw three tries scored.

Chard flanker Chris Spurdle had been sent to the bin for a bit of 'skullduggery' but this did not stop his team from taking the lead with a fine play from the forwards which ended with a try under the posts for Hopkinson which Humphrey converted.

Newent hit back almost immediately with a similar effort from their forwards, but the conversion was missed so Chard still had a narrow lead.

Just before the interval the home backs set up a second try when a lovely tactical kick behind the Chard defence paid dividends as they won the chase for the touchdown to lead 12-7 at the

The weather deteriorated in the second half but Chard battled bravely and the backs attempted to move the ball when they got an opportunity.

Joe Massey, George Dowse and Ben Stead all had useful runs, but Chard's desire to run the ball in the wind and the rain resulted in some wayward passing.

The game remained close but

Newent were beginning to turn the screw and in the final quarter scored two more unconverted

On the balance of play Newent deserved to win the game but the spirit in the Chard side was excellent and this was epitomised by the excellent contribution from skipper Ryan Helliar who is prepared to play anywhere for his team and always gives his all.

Chard had the final say when in the dying minutes when Simon Jenkins crossed for a well deserved second try

Thanks are due from all the players to Duncan Nicholls who took charge of the team on Saturday in the absence of Steve

Chard have a big game at home to Wells next Saturday with a kick off time of 2.15pm.

Waterlogged pitches meant all other games were postponed last

The two senior Chard pitches have been unplayable for several

The club are very grateful to all those who worked hard forking the main pitch over the weekend

to try and improve the situation. The recent unprecedented levels of rainfall are putting real pressure on all the playing surfaces the local geology offers little or no natural drainage.

Lets hope that the efforts of the members bear fruit next weekend when, as well as the 1st xv game against Wells, the 3rd xv are at home to Crewkerne 2nd xv.

The 2nd xv are away at Wyvern and the colts are away at Welling-

SW Div 1	Pld	+/-	Pts
Camborne	.15	299	60
Thornbury	.14	164	49
Newent		83	47
Bridgwater & Alb	13	29	44
Bideford	15	40	43
Drybrook	.14	87	40
Weston-super-Mare	.13	76	40
Wells	.15	-57	31
Clevedon	.13	7	30
Avonmouth OB	.14	-55	26
CHARD	.13	-77	23
Teignmouth	.14	-224	20
North Petherton	.15	-156	29
Coney Hill	.14	-216	-1

#### a view on the glovers

#### Jeffers boost for Glovers Carlisle United 2

Yeovil Town 2 FA Cup R3 - att; 3,357

by Stuart Broom SHAUN Jeffers finally

made the headlines for the right reason when he grabbed an added time equaliser for the Glovers to force a replay in this FA Cup 3rd Round tie played at Blackpool's Bloomfield Road due to Carlisle's recent flooding problems that left Brunton Park unplayable.

The 23-year-old who signed from Newport County in the summer had only scored twice before in 24 appear-But on Sunday he

showed what he can do when he collected Francois Zoko's headed flick on the edge of the box, controlled, turned and fired in a volley across keeper Dan Handford and into the bottom corner of the

It was an excellent goal. But why can't he

He didn't score his first goal until the middle of November, and has looked disinterested and lazy at times, but the goal and a good first half strike that had the sprawling. shows he has a talent.

The same applies to Ryan Bird whose confidence was soaring earlier in the season as he found the net seven

The quality of one or two of his goals also showed that he too

Zoko, who scored the first equalising goal at Bloomfield Road with a superb looping header. has come in on a short loan and shown them how to do it despite being in an ailing team.

Manager Darren Way is hoping that the club can put a package together to keep the Ivorian at Huish Park for the rest of the season. but he is going to need both Jeffers and Bird scoring more consistently if they are to get out of trouble.

#### angling ilminster aa Charity boost

## from anglers

THE latest charity match on Hebditch's Pond saw some great weights recorded among the 15 competing anglers despite some horrendous weather conditions in the morning.
Graham Field drew peg 4

and caught all day on the feeder and the pole for a comfortable win with 80lb 6oz of carp. Robin Cox was second

with 56lb 9oz of carp on the pole from peg 5 and Scott Russell was third with 51lb 12oz of carp on the lead and the pole from peg 15.

The top silvers weight was landed by Roger Russell who had 5lb 4oz of small roach from peg 1. Club spokesman Jamie Rich said: A massive thanks to Harry Hebditch for inviting us and clearing the pegs - the anglers raised £75 for his chosen charity".

Silvers result; 1st Roge Russell (Tackleuk) - 5lb 4oz, 2nd Karl Aplin (Ilminster) - 1lb 2oz, 3rd Gordon Aplin (Ilminster) - 7oz. After more torrential rain.

13 members were back at Dillington Pond on Sunday for round five of the V.E.S. Precision league.

The pond coloured and, although the leading weights were good, some of the competitors found it hard going.

Jamie Rich (Against Men and Fish) had the top weight on the day with 11lb 6oz of quality roach and rudd from peg 18, he caught on maggot early on before switching to

Graham Field (Taunton) took second place with 8lb 10oz of roach from peg 2 and Scott Russell (Tackleuk) was third with 8lb 4oz on the pole and caster from peg 17.

After five matches Graham Field leads the league with six points followed by Jamie Rich on nine and Martin Heard on ten.

Sections; A – Bruce Hunt (Tiverton) – 6lb, B – Terry Morgan (Ilminster) and Martin Heard (Mosella) - both with 2lb 6oz.

#### skittles

EAST DEVON	HUN'	Г
Division One	Pld	Pts
Culm Vale	13	18
Marvels	13	18
Auctioneers	12	16
Ur Arrs	11	14
Blacksmiths	12	14
Sutton Wanderers	12	12
Talaton	12	12
Foxenhole	11	10
Upottery	11	10
Sidford	12	10
Zulu Warriors	12	8
Night Owls	11	6
Perkins Village	11	4

Perkins Village	11	4
Division Two	Pld	Pts
Keepers	12	21
Marsh Green	12	18
Awliscombe Shoot	12	16
Breakways	13	16
A Team	12	14
Honiton Clyst	12	14
Latecomers	12	11
Stags	12	10
Axe Valley	12	8
Broadclyst	12	7
Jack's Lads	12	7
Tuckers Arms	10	6
Cocks & Hens	11	6
Division Three	Pld	Pts
New Inn	12	18
Top Cats	10	16
Brooksiders	12	16

starter's orders running news

## Amy at the double for AVR's

HONITON RUNNING CLUB

with Judy Davy

SIX Honiton runners travelled to Dawlish on Sunday for the 'OH MY OBELISK' race which is about 11 miles long and multi-terrain.

All runners found the going very tough with mud and puddles in the fields and a few hills Runners are taken up to the Obelisk and then

back down again.

Steve Davey was first back for Honiton in 2 hours 41 minutes. Mark Dallyn followed about a minute and a half later. Sharon Wells and Tony Peek were both were

pleased with their times as Sharon took 15 mins off last year's time with Tony taking off eight minutes despite the lengthened course.

Shane and Michaela Hudd ran the race together as this was the furthest they have run

**AXE VALLEY RUNNERS** with Dave Mutter

THERE was a busy start to the 2016 season for Axe Valley Runners, despite the inclement weather and challenging conditions.

On New Year's Day 190 runners turned out for the CHARD FLYER. AVR's Amy Greenhalgh was first female, just missing out on a sub 40-minute 10K. Sue Venn had a good run, finishing 146th in 1:02:07.

There was more AVR action at the AXMOUTH CHALLENGE, Despite torrential rain at the start line and a slightly shortened course due to saturated ground, the mood was high spirited.

hockey chard

Chard A 1 North Devon A 2

A GOAL five minutes from time de-

nied Chard a deserved point against

table-toppers North Devon in a

game which started and finished in

torrential rain and blustery condi-

The visitors took an early lead, scoring on the follow up to their first

penalty corner after Callum Baillie

had saved the first effort and Chard

had to work hard to hold their own

as North Devon looked to build

THE Milford & Dormor Mixed Triples League resumed after the Christmas break.

Musbury 12-8 Trull; The first half saw the

lead change constantly. Trull scored well on

two ends taking them to 8-5 after 10 ends.

But Musbury then took the final four ends to

Greyhounds 12-13 Hurricanes; This was a

very exciting match with the score tied going

into the final end. Hurricanes just managed

to take the vital shot to win the end and the

Canaries 7-21 Harlequins; This match

was tougher for Harlequins than the score may suggest. On one end Harlequins lead

sent the jack towards the edge of the mat. If it had gone off this would have given two

shots to Canaries. Harlequins then got into

HONITON by Julie Grant HONITON Ladies enjoyed a successful

week starting with a friendly 69-44 win over SIDMOUTH, top rink Val Kille, Carol Ar-

mitage, Margaret Bright & Di Morley 36-9.

Then, in the County Lane League, they scored maximum points against MADEIRA

winning on all four rinks, top triple was Ju-

dith Broom, Sharon Kenny & Gail Hawke

The Over 60s men also played MADEIRA

winning on two rinks but losing narrowly overall 75-82. Top rink for Honiton was Ian

Veitch, Peter Goodwin, Tony Tooley & Trevor Pipe 20-13.

In the ICL the men lost at home against

ISCA by three shots but won away by four,

so, thanks to the winning rink of Steve

Coles, Peter Goodwin, Malcolm Seaborne & Trevor Pipe, an overall significant victory

In the mixed friendly Honiton won 45-34

was achieved.

their stride and pulled away.

jack high bowls round-up

tions throughout.

upon their advantage.

AVR scooped both the first male and first fe-

finished a superb run with a fast sprint down the steep Stepps Lane to hold off Exmouth Harriers' Michael Robinson and win by 13 seconds.

Amy Greenhalgh, 1:06, had a great race, running hard from the start to earn her second win of the year 6th overall.

There were fantastic results in the age categories as well, with Clare Hansford 22nd, 1:15:59, Eleanor Wood 25th, 1:17:32, Andy Sayers 44th, 1:31:37 and Angela Kerr 51st, 1:35:56 all finishing first in their category. There were great times also from Luke Reed 8th, 1:07:39, Samantha Miller 46th, 1:32:01 and Martin Kerr 58th, There were two AVRs in the five-mile event:

Junior Flo Swan, 39 minutes, put in another fast and well-paced performance to finish first female, second overall and Jane Calvert 8th,

In the three-mile race Ollie Rogers stormed home to clinch first place in 23 mins, a full four minutes ahead of the next runner. Holly Eyre was 3rd, 28:43 and Finley Cox, 4th, 31:55, both had cracking runs.

The Incessant rain briefly stopped and the wind abated for Sunday's 11.8mile Dawlishbased 'OH MY OBELISK' but conditions underfoot were still very soggy.

AVR had six runners amongst about 200 en-

trants for the race which was won by Torbay AC's Aaron Tocknell in 1:16:50.

Matt Clist, back to his best, was 3rd in 1:18:16 followed closely by Tim Lenton who won the Male V40 award taking 1:19:25.

Leaders pushed all the way - but late goal rocks Chard

Chard were still without the in-

jured defender Jason Goddard but

the back four was bolstered by Paul

Tratt for his first game of the season

and the first 2nd XI appearance for

The hosts set up with five across

middle and captain Gareth Eggle as lone striker to deny their opponents

free rein in midfield and, as the first

half progressed, this tactic bore fruit.

sion inside their own 25 metre line.

Harry Felgate swept the ball wide to

away at BUDLEIGH SALTERTON, top

rink was Carol Armitage, Tilly Tillier, Heather Chambers & Alan Fuller 30-14.

AFTER the Christmas break two Ilminster

sides played each other in the area final of the over 60s rinks.

The winners were Paul Denslow's rink by

four shots. Details: Rowland Garland, Bey

Brister, Will Anderson & Paul Denslow 20,

Gerry, Ken Leamon, Roger Lench & Barry

In the Ladies over 50s 2 wood triples

Ilminster lost away to TAUNTON DEANE by 10 shots. Details: Angie Thompson, Mau-

reen Mitchell & Heather Grinter 10 D Rout-

In the Somerset & Devon League Ilminster

were home to TAUNTON VIVARY, Details:

Brian Welch, Arthur Callaghan, David Pugh

& June Checketts 13 M Groves 20; Val Dar-

gue, Mike King, Roy Orme & Roger Lench

In the Ladies Somerset League Ilminster

lost to TAUNTON VIVARY by two shots.

Home Hilary Leamon, Rita Grout, Eileen

Becky & June Checketts 17 J Young 14:

Away, Myra Childs, Norma Pugh, Heather

IF YOUR New Year resolution is to keep fit

why not consider joining the Ottery St Mary indoor Short Mat Bowling Club.

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from 9.45–12 noon at £2 session at the In-

and have some fun at the same time

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ley 20.

When North Devon lost posses-

many a year by Steve Dare.

Next home was Ian Apps 48th, 1:35:48 then came birthday boy Graham Newton who won Male V60 award in finishing 61st in 1:38:01.

Eleanor Wood was next home 96th, 1:44:41, running despite not having eaten anything for four days due to a stomach bug, and was delighted just to have finished at al

Steve Haines completed the AVR line-up and came home 119th, 1:48:30.

CHARD ROAD RUNNERS with Paul Masters NEW Year's day saw the sixth running of the Chard Flyer 10km race with record numbers of

The race started at Stringfellow Park. The runners then ran through Knowle St Giles before starting a one-mile climb up to the halfway A steep descent down Cricket Lane then saw

the runners race through the reservoir and then back into Chard in lower Touches. The finish line was at Chard Cricket Club. As this was the first race of the 2016 Somer-

set Series the start was fast as those hoping to be amongst the leaders sped off.
The winner was Phillip Bridge from Wells City

Harriers in 35 Mins 40 Secs. The first lady home was Amy Greenhaigh of Axe Valley Runners in

First home for the host club. Chard Road Runners, was Wayne Loveridge in 4th place.

Meanwhile, Helen Baxter represented CRR's managed a very credible 56th in a time of 1:43:34 in the recent Axmouth Challenge.

penalty corner shot saved and Den-

ing and Kyle Wheaton also went

But a hard earned point was

snatched away at the death when a

follow-up effort bobbled into the net

after Chard's defence had half

cleared another penalty corner

Chard: C Baillie, P Tratt, S Dare,

N Liggins, S Mahoney, J Spurdle, A Critchley, N Parkinson, T King, H

Felgate, G Eggle (capt), H Dening,

# Record breaker!

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#### **bowls** east devon short mat

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#### cribbage news

#### LYME REGIS

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Results – January 4th: Stepps 4 Ship Inn LR 1, Lamb Swans 2 Old Inn Kilm 3, Beer Club 3 Royal Oak 2, Gerrard Arms 3 Nags Head 2, New Inn Kilm B1Talbot Arms 4, Axminster Inn 3 New Inn Kilm A 2

Beer League; Stepps 1 Ship Inn LR 2, Lamb Swans 0 Old Inn Kilm 3, Beer Club 0 Royal Oak 3, Gerrard Arms 2 Nags Head 1, New Inn Kilm B 3 Talbot Arms 0, Axminster Inn 2 New Inn Kilm A 1.

Fixtures (Jan 18th); Lamb Swans v Axminster Inn. Beer Club v Ship Inn, Gerrard Arms v Old Inn Kilm, New Inn Kilm B v Royal Oak, Axminster Con Club v Talbot Arms, Stepps v

League table Gerrard Arms Stepps Nags Head Royal Oak Lamb Swans New Inn Kilm A Beer Club Axminster Cons Ship Inn Old Inn Kilm Axminster Inn Talbot Arms New Inn Kilm B	15 16 16 15 15 14 14 15	Pts 47 44 44 45 39 39 37 36 35 37 36 35 37 36
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Lamb Swans15	
Nags Head16	
Stepps15	
New Inn Kilm B	

mens A 5, New Fountain 4 Blacksmith Arms 4, Thirsty Farmer 6 Feniton Soc A 2, Vine Inn B 6 Honi-ton Inn A 2, Workingmens B 6 Vine Inn A 2.

ley Hawkins 1 Mike Dent 0, Julie Davis 0 Audrey Hawkins 1, Lionel Hawkins 1 Steve Pettitt 0. Maureen Pendrick 0 Lorraine White

smith Arms v Vine Inn B, Feniton Soc A v Feniton Soc B. Honiton Inn A v Workingmens B, Vine Inn A v Honiton Inn B, Workingmens A v New Foun-

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### with Peter Motson

tee off golf round-up

chance.

Harvey Dening whose powerful cross shot was diverted into the net

at almost point blank range by Eggle. Had it not been for a couple

of saves from the visitors' veteran

keeper, Chard would have gone in to

The second half started as an even

contest. Tratt got a vital touch to a goalbound shot from another

penalty corner to guide the ball just

wide and Baillie made a number of

fine saves.

At the other end Eggle had a

half time with the lead.

THE Seniors played their first 15-hole stableford competition of the New

points, was Phil Wilkins (hc 14), in second with 29 was John Mant (hc 19) and in third place with 26 was Peter Hornsby (hc

with John Pawley

Conditions were ex-Stableford.

Totally unfazed by the conditions, the winners were Sue Ritchie & Henrietta Bradshaw with 36 points, a truly great result as Henrietta has hardly played at all in recent months. Runners up were Chris Pearce & Brenda Hyde with 28.

#### Seniors

stitute, Yonder Street, EX111HD.
Taster sessions free, bowls are provided just turn up with flat soled shoes. Contact Jenny 01404 812124.

#### becoming this year's vice. Stan Squire has taken

Year In first place, with 32

#### HONITON

THE Ladies were lucky as the course was declared open despite all the rain that had fallen in previous

tremely difficult but the sun did shine on the few players who took to the course for a Greensomes

> In Division Two the Two's were achieved by

AT the December AGM

Honiton Ladies off to a flyer Pollock is big fish Mike Watts handed over the captaincy role to Allan Pollock, with Mike Sennitt

> over as treasurer and Angus Falconer as secre-

K Wheaton, T Goss.

Last Friday emerged from four weeks of rain-induced hibernation to do battle in a Stableford competition coupled with the second round of the Eclectic where some very credscores achieved considering the watery conditions and some temporary greens.

Jim Wallis topped Division One with an excellent 39 points. Pollock was second with Eric Short, Stan Squire and Roger Matthews taking the remaining spots

long-hitting Peter Blake prevailed with 36 points, followed by Howard Pritchard, Dave Lee, Rod Armitage and Bill Phillips.

Dave Lee on the 2nd and Eric Short on the 4th each carrying off a large number of balls for next

#### Axminster Inn ......14 18 Beer Club ......16 17 **HONITON**

Results - January 7th: Feniton Soc B 3 Working-

Captains Cup; Brenda Flood 0 Julie Bath 1, Hed-

Fixtures (Jan 14th); Black-

Blacksmiths Arms15	75
Workingmens A14	63
eniton Soc B15	
Thirsty Farmer15	6
/ine Inn B15	6
New Fountain	60
Feniton Soc A14	55
Norkingmens B14	53
/ine Inn A14	5
Honiton Inn B14	50
Honiton Inn A15	49
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Captains Cup Pld	Pts
<b>Captains Cup Pld</b> Bath14	10
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## Neroche pupils join England team

TWO pupils from Neroche Primary School, Ilminster took part in selection for Somerset Places at the Youth England Bowls School of Excellence Development Scheme.

Junior players up to the age of 15 were assessed across the whole county, these included both Oliver Collins and Edward Bidgood of Neroche Primary School.

Both Ilminster boys recorded the highest scores in both of their respective groups and 10-year-old Oliver came second overall out of all of the participants.

Both Oliver and Edward will now compete at the School of Excellence finals in February. Neroche Primary School Headteacher Connel Boyle said: "We are all so proud of Edward and Oliver. As a school we support pupils in a range of specialist sports and it is super to see two of our children progress to such a high level at such a young age. Ilminster could have two future England Internationals here!"



## New sponsor for Rangers

Estates are the new sponsors of Crewkerne Rangers Football Club.

Orchards Estates supplied the club's new away kit which had its first outing when the Rangers' first team opened their Somerset Intermediate Cup campaign with a 2-1 victory against AFC Nailsea.

Crewkerne Rangers FC Chairman Mark Holton said: "We are delighted to begin this partnership with Orchards Estates.

"Mathew Wood and the whole team have been very supportive and we hope that this is just the start of a long and successful relationship".

Crewkerne Rangers were also been selected by Waitrose Crewkerne as one of the "Community Matters" scheme organisations for December.

Rangers' Fundraising Coordinator Jodie Isaacs said: "We are delighted to have been chosen by Waitrose for the Community Matters scheme and would like to thank everyone who has supported us so far with their green token".

The three chosen organisations will receive a share of £1000 based on votes cast by shoppers throughout this month



♦ HAPPY TO HELP: Orchards Estates Director Mathew Wood (left) presenting the new kit to Crewkerne Rangers FC Reserve Team Manager Ollie Wills (right)

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